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EARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS
FOR NEW ENGLAND

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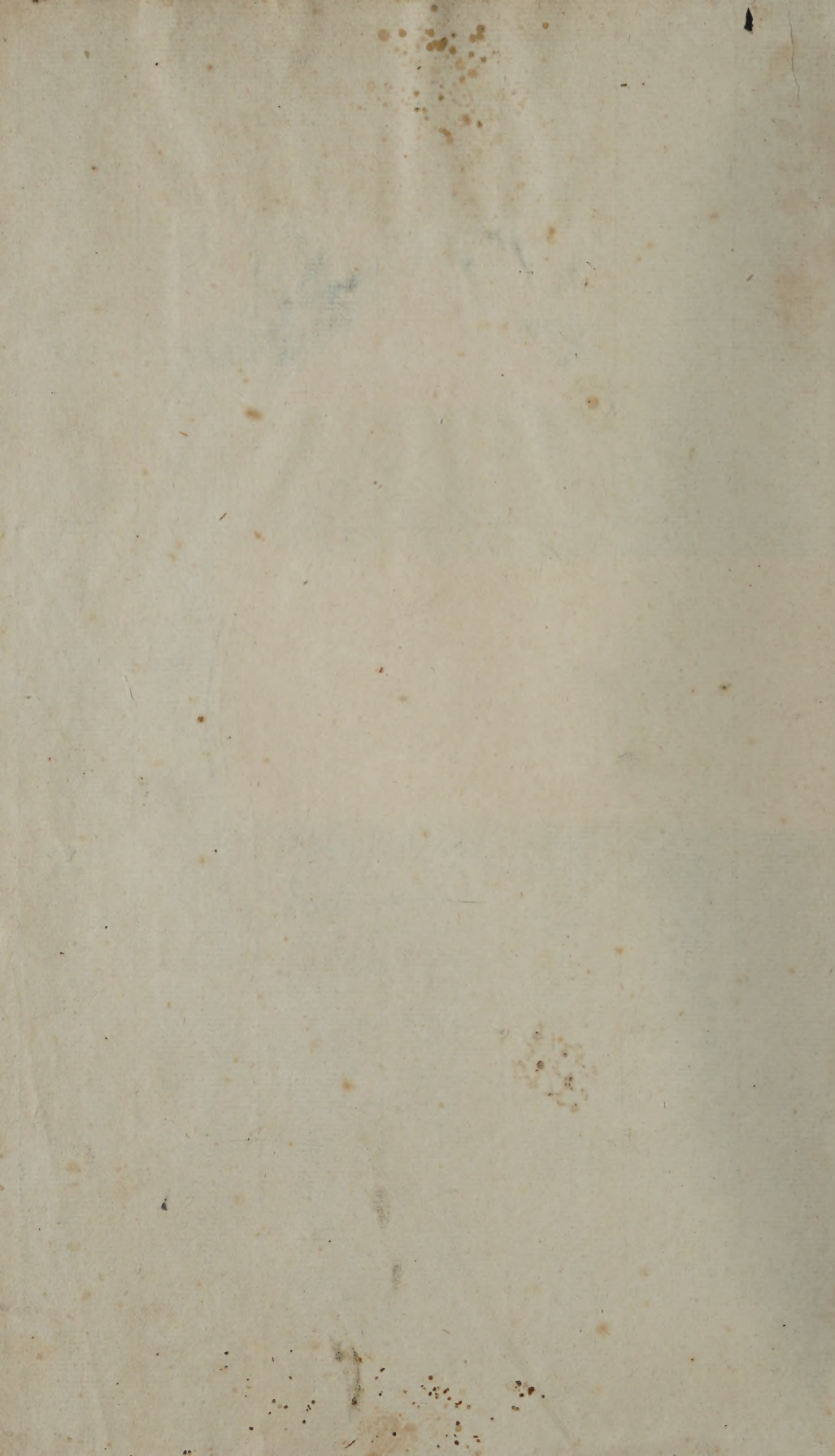
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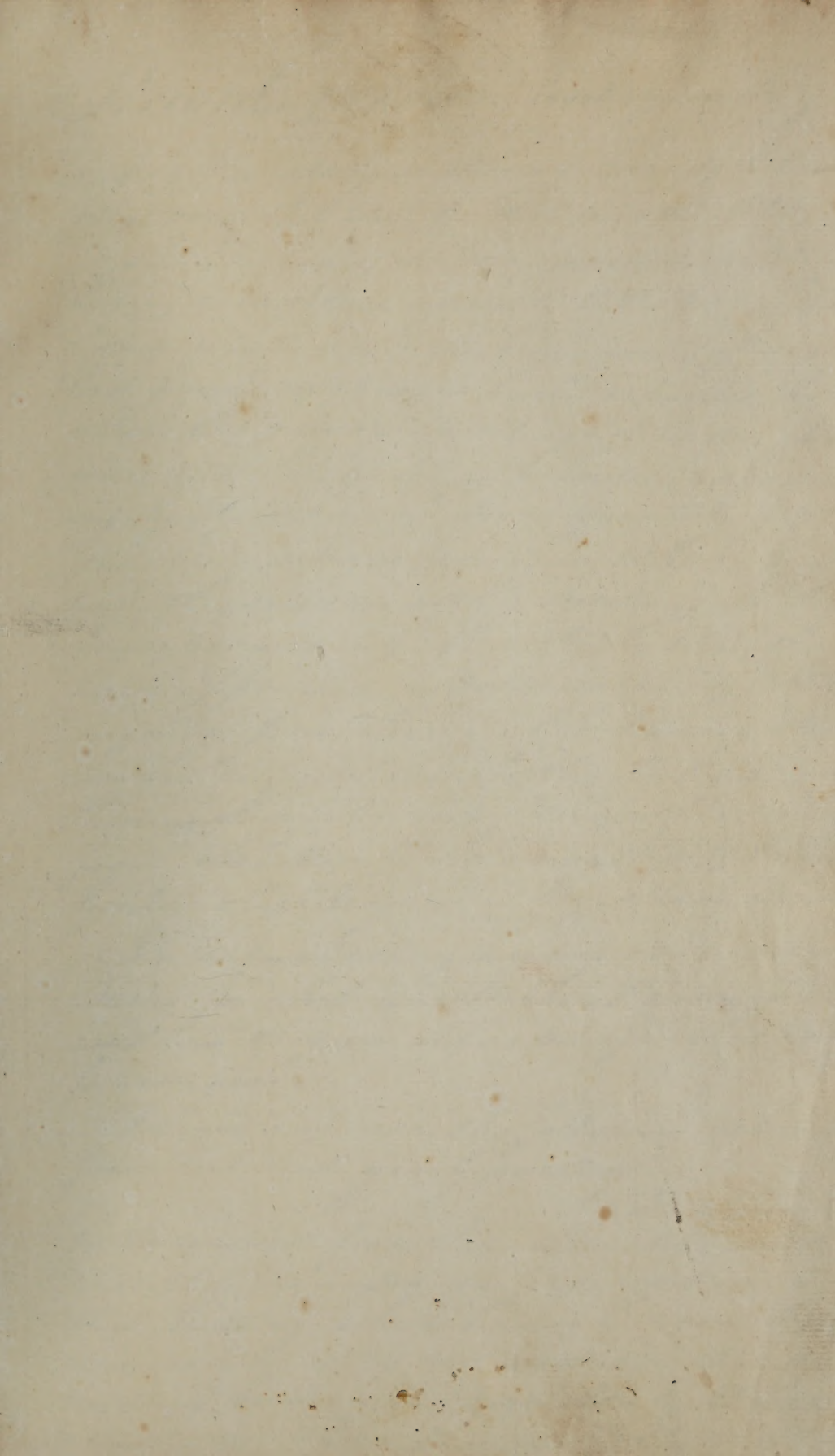
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1815. 10m.

Records of Dover Quarterly meeting

At a Quarterly meeting of Friends, held at Dover the 26th of 10th month 1815.

A Division of Salem quarterly meeting having taken place agreeably to the proposition of said quarter, and the concurrence of our last yearly meeting, as herein expressed, by which the monthly meetings of Dover, Berwick, and Sandwich are constituted a meeting by the name of Dover quarterly meeting and being now convened in that capacity, and the said monthly meetings having presented account, it appears that they have appointed as representatives to this meeting, from Dover Eli Varney, Stephen Sawyer, and William Tuttle, from Berwick Thomas Stacpole and Joshua Meder, from Sandwich, Solomon Hoit, William Gould, and Benjamin Fry, who are all present.

The representatives having proposed Richard Dams for clerk and Stephen Hanson for an assistant they are appointed for that service for one year.

Received and read the following extract from our last yearly meeting:

"It appearing by the account from Salem Quarterly meeting that they are united in favour of dividing that meeting, which having had our deliberate consideration, it is our conclusion that said meeting be divided, agreeable to their proposition. viz. That the monthly meetings

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"of Dover, Berwick, and Sandwich, constitute
"a quarterly meeting by the name of Dover,
"and that their meetings be held on the fourth
"fifth days of the months, in the 1st. & 10th.
"months at Dover, in the 1st month at Sand-
"wich, and in the eighth month at Berwick.
"And that in future Salem quarterly meeting
"be held on the 4th 5th day of the 1st month
"at Salem and on the 3rd. 5th days in the
"8th. month at Lynn, in the 10th month
"at Ware, and in the 1st. month at Seabrook,
"and that the division take place after their
"next meeting.

And Joseph Harris,
"Walter Allen, Samuel Thurston, Moses Cooper,
"George Philbrick, William Alney, Thomas
"Howland, Thomas Arnold, and Wm. Rotch Jr.
"are appointed to attend the opening of the
"respective Quarterly meetings of Salem and
"Dover, render them any assistance and
"advice which they may find necessary and
"report to our next Yearly meeting.

Extracted from the minutes of
"the yearly meeting for New England, held
"on Rhode Island from the 1st. to the 14th.
"of Oct. inclusive 1815. Wm Rotch Jr. Clerk.

We have read the queries and answers, receiv-
ed from our monthly meetings: on the
deficiencies therein mentioned, judicious
remarks were made, tending to stir up
the minds of Friends, to a more faithful dis-
charge of duty, particularly that of the at-
tendance of our religious meetings.

We

1816. 3m.

We have appointed Isaac Mendell Treasurer for this meeting.

We have been favoured with the company of our friends William Almy, Moses Super, Thomas Howland, and George Philbrick, a part of the yearly meeting's committee above mentioned whose company and services have been satisfactory and encouraging, as was also the company of Elisha Thornton, accompanied with a minute from New Bedford Monthly meeting expressive of their unity with his visit. Under a sense of these and other favours measureable witnessed at this time we conclude, proposing to meet at Sandwich at the appointed time in the 1st m. next.

Rich^d Dame Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting held at Sandwich for Dover the 25th of 3m. 1816. Accounts from our monthly meetings being handed in, the representatives in them named are for Dover Nicholas Jones, Eli Varney and John Brown, for Berwick Joshua Mader, Timothy Varney, and Samuel Buffum, for Sandwich John Folsom & Cyrus Beede, John Varney, and John Hoag, who are all present, except John Varney. The reasons given for his absence are accepted.

We have read the queries and answers received from our monthly meetings.

Our business being some through at this time we conclude and adjourn to the time appointed in the 4th m. next then to meet at Dover.

Rich^d Dame Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting held at Dover the 25th. of 4m. 1816. Accounts being presented from our monthly meetings the representatives in them named are for Dover William Brown, Joseph Tuttle, and Jacob Varney Junr. for Berwick, Joshua Meder Paul Rogers & Joseph Brackett; for Sandwich John Hoag, Benjamin Fry, Joseph Varney Jr. and William Gould, who are all present. A Testimony respecting our deceased friend Mehitabel Jenkins from Berwick monthly was read approved and directed to be signed by the clerk and forwarded to the meeting for sufferings.

We were favoured with the company of our friend Rachel Barnard who produced a certificate from Kennet monthly meeting held 15th. of 11m. 1815. endorsed by the quarterly meeting of Chester County held 22. of same month, accompanied by Elisabeth Pennock & Caleb Wayne who produced minutes from London Grove monthly meeting, Chester County Pennsylvania, 6th. & 12th. m. 1815. expressive of their unity with their visit. Also our friend Avis Keen who produced a certificate from Wabridge monthly meeting dated 29th. of 3m. 1816 accompanied by Lydia Breed who produced a certificate and Daniel Gore who produced a minute from Wears monthly meeting dated 4m. 11th. 1816. whose company and labours were satisfactory to us.

1815. 4^{mo}

We have read the Queries and answers received from our monthly meetings from which the following summary is prepared for the yearly meeting meeting Rhode Island and we appoint Paul Rogers, Richard Dune, Eli Barney and John Hoag W. to attend said yearly meeting as representatives.

Dover monthly meeting. Having appointed Nicholas Jones to the Station of an Elder, this meeting, with the approbation of the women's meeting, concurs therewith, and the clerk is directed to give the necessary information.

Our treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of yearly meeting stock to the yearly meeting's treasurer.

Answers to the Queries.

Q¹st. Meetings on first days and those for discipline attended by the greater part of friends; but a slackness appears in some in the attendance of midweek meetings; the hour generally observed by those who attend; Clear of unbecoming behaviour except some appearances of sleeping in one meeting.

Q²d. Love and unity generally maintained detraction mostly guarded against and where any differences have arisen some care has been taken to end them.

Q³d. There is a care on the minds of friends to come up in the several particulars of this query tho' not so fully as truth requires as it respects plainness and good example.

Q⁴d. Most friends we think careful in their respects.

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Ans. 5. Clear as far as appears.

Ans. 6. Generally careful, except two or three instances of keeping company and marrying. Care taken.

Ans. 7. Clear as far as appears, except one instance of paying a priest's tax and one other where the testimony was not fully supported and care taken.

Ans. 8. We believe there is a general care in these respects, altho. not all careful enough to settle accounts &c.

Ans. 9. Generally careful as to recording, careful as to certificates.

Ans. 10. There has been care taken to deal with offenders tho. not without some delay; Judgement has been shown where it has appeared necessary.

Our business being gone through at this time we adjourn to meet at Berwick in the 2nd. week at the time appointed.

Ruth Dame Clerk

A Dover Quarterly meeting held at Berwick 29th of the 8th Mo. 1816.

Accounts being presented from our several monthly meetings, the representatives in them named are, for Dover, William Brown, Eli Varney and Nathaniel Meder Jun^r; for Berwick, David Nichols, Simon Hussey, and Joshua Meder; for Sandwich Cyrus Bede, Parker Falck, and Joshua Hoag, who are all present.

We were favoured with the company of our friend David Marknes, who produced

certificate from Peru Monthly meeting dated 25th of 4th mo. last, approved by Ferrisburg quarterly meeting 9th of 5th mo. following which with his services among us was truly acceptable.

We read the queries and answers received from our monthly meetings.

Those appointed to attend the Yearly meeting report they all attended, except Eli Varney who gave reasons for not attending which are accepted.

The clerk is directed to extract the substance of the minute made last quarter in favour of our friends Rachel Barnard and companions, and forward the same to the monthly meetings to which they respectively belong, and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Our business being gone through at this time we conclude to meet again at Dover - at the time appointed viz the 10th. mo. next
Rich^d Dame Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at G^over 1816 24th mo. 24
Accounts being presented from our Monthly meetings, The representatives in them named are, for Dover, William Brown Solomon Evans and Eli Varney, for Berwick, David Nichols, Paul Rogers and Joshua Jenkins, for Sandwich John George & Nath^l. Lamos and Solomon Hait who are all present, The representatives having proposed John Brown for clerk, and Joshua Meade an assistant, they are appointed for that service for one year -
We have read the queries and answers rec^d. from

our Monthly Meetings to the 1st 2nd and 10th Quarters by which deficiencies are apparent, in many instances, particularly, the Non attendance of weekday Meetings. many pertinent remarks have been made thereto, and strong desires manifested, for a renewed engagement, to a more faithful discharge of duty.

We are again favoured with the company of our Esteemed Friend David Harkness whose company and Gospel Labours have been acceptable to us.

Our Business being closed, we propose if permitted to meet again at Sandwich in the first month next,

John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich for
Dover N.H. 23rd 1817-

By accounts rec^d. from our several Monthly meetings, the representatives in them named are, for Dover, Nicholas Jones, John Brown, and Eli Kinney, for Berwick, Joshua Thayer, Paul Rogers, and Simeon Buffum for Sandwich, John Hoag, Benjamin Fay, and Parker Fish, who are all present except Paul Rogers the reasons given for his absence are accepted.

Our Esteemed Friend Isaac Harris attended this meeting, with a certificate from Concord ~~Monthly~~ Meeting Pennsylvania, dated 29th 5^{mo} 1816 and endorsed, by Concord Quarterly Meeting dated 14th of the same, expressive of their Unity with his ^{visit} he having attended, most of the particular meetings belonging to this meeting, whose company and Gospel labours have been truly acceptable to us. Also, Nathan Sharpless in company, who produced a minute from the same Monthly Meeting expressive

of their unity with his visit whose company and
deportment have been acceptable to us. —

It appears by accounts received at this time, that
our Friend, John Warren, in the course of his religious
visit in these parts, hath attended all of the particular
meetings belonging to this meeting, with a & repeated
from Harlem Monthly meetings, his company & services
have been acceptable to us, the Clerk is directed
to forward an extract of his minutes to the Monthly meeting
to which he respectively belongs and sign the same on behalf
of this meeting —

We have read the Queries and answers received to the
1st, 2nd & 10th Queries, the deficiencies therein named hath
given rise to many judicious remarks, which is
desired may tend to excite friends to be more faith-
-ful to the requirements of Truth, — by Sandwich Monthly
meeting we are informed that they are United in
approving the publick appearances of Benjamin Fry
in the ministry, which after deliberate consideration, and
the concurrence of the Womens Meeting; is united with,
and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary inform-
-tion — A communication has been received from
Falmouth Quarterly meeting, informing it is the
judgment of their meeting, that a Minute be for-
warded to our next Quarterly meeting requesting their
attention to the Subject of removing that meeting
to a more central place,

Our Business being clos^d at this time we adjourn
to meet at Dover at the appointed time in the
4th Mo. next,

John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting held at Dover 4^{mo}
24th 1817, Accounts being presented from our
Monthly meetings, The representatives in them
named are for Dover Sam^l Varnum, Stephen Dwyer
and Jon^a Darnie for Berwick, Sam^l Nichols, Joshua
Sentkins and John Buffum, for Sandwich, Joshua
Tosage, Paul Bunker & Benj^m Fry, who being call are
all present. We have read the Queries and answers
received from our Monthly meetings, from which
the following summary, is prepared for the Yearly
meeting next in Rhode Island, and we appoint, Paul
Rogers, Ezekiel Wait, Benj^m Fry, and Joshua Meador,
to attend the yearly meetings as representatives —

The Quarterly Meeting of Ministers and Elders propose
their select preparative meeting, be held in future on
the day of the select Quarterly meeting, at the same
place, and at the tenth hour, with which this meeting
unites, Our Treasurer is directed to forward our propo-
sition of Yearly meeting stock to the Yearly meetings
Treasurer —

Answers to the Queries —

Ans. 1st All our meetings are attended and
generally by most friends, tho; there is a deficiency
in some, especially on week days, & some care taken
most friends are careful to observe the hour, mostly preser-
ved from sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour —

Ans. 2nd Love and unity in a good degree maintain
amongst us, tho; not without some, exceptions, detraction
mostly guarded against, and some care taken in these
deficiencies, as also some care to end differences when
they have appeared —

Ans 3rd We think most friends are careful with respect
to plainness and good example, but not without some
exceptions; mostly careful as to pernicious books, we believe
the Scriptures are frequently read in our families —

Ans 4th Friends generally careful in regard to spirituous
liquors, but not all, in some instances care has been
taken mostly clear in the other parts —

Ans 5th Clear as far as appears —

Ans 6th Generally careful —

Ans 7th Careful in these respects, with the exception of a
few instances of not maintaining our testimony in regard
to military matters and care taken —

Ans 8th Most Friends are careful in these respects, tho'
not without some exceptions —

Ans 9 Some neglect as to recording, mostly clear in the
other parts —

Ans 10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders
we believe in a good degree as quorice after, yet we think
a more extensive care is wanting; judgement has been passed
when it has appeared necessary —

Our Business being clos^d at this time, we adjourn to
meet again at Berwick, in the 8mo next

John Brown Clerk

At Dover Quarterly meeting held at Berwick 8mo
28th 1817 Accounts being presented from our Monthly
meetings the representatives in them named are
for Dover William Brown Isaac Wendell and Nicholas
Jones, for Berwick John Rupper David Nichols and
Joshua Jenkins for Sandwich Cyrus Reed Solomon Loeb
and Benja Fay, who are all present —

Our Esteemed Friend Isaac Thorne J. attended this meeting with a certificate from Nine Partners Monthly meeting dated 4^{mo} 7th 1817 and endorsed by their Quarterly meeting held 5^{mo} 7th 1817 expressive of their unity with his visit. Also our Esteemed Friend Richard Green, with a minute from Greenwich monthly meeting dated 8^{mo} 4th 1817 expressing their unity with his visit - we were also favoured with the company of our esteemed Friend Micajah Collins, who produced a minute from Salem Monthly meeting held at Lynn 8^{mo} 14th 1817 uniting with him in his prospect, their company and Gospel Labours have been acceptable to us. Anna May attended this meeting with a minute from Providence Monthly meeting dated 7^{mo} 30th 1817 expressive of their unity with her visit, her company and services have been acceptable to us - also Sarah Green in company, who produced a minute from Greenwich monthly meeting, expressing their unity with her visit - our Friend Reuben Hows also attended this meeting with a certificate from Nine Partners monthly meeting, expressing their unity with his prospect in accompanying Isaac Thorne J. in his visit whose company has been acceptable to us.

We have read the Queries and answers received to the 1st 2nd and 10th from our Monthly meetings - Upon the deficiencies again brought up in our answers, judicious remarks were made, tending to impress upon the minds of Friends, the importance of a due attention to a more faithful discharge of their religious duties. - Sandwich Monthly meeting requests the assistance of this meeting in a difficult case, and we appoint, Ezekiel Foxit, Rich. Dams

Paul Rogers Nicholas Jones Isaac Wendell and John Brown, to aid and assist them in said case, and report to next meeting - Those appointed to attend the Yearly meeting as representatives report they all attended - Our business being closed at this time we propose to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 10th next. -

John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting held at Dover 10th 23rd 1817 - Accounts being presented from our Monthly meetings the representatives in them named are for Dover Samuel Varney, Sen.^r Cartland and Joseph Lintham, for Berwick, David Nichols and Joshua Meader for Sandwich, John Telson & Nathaniel Lamos and Sen.^r Beede, who are all present. - The time having expired for which the clerks were chosen John Brown is reappointed Clerk and Joshua Meader assistant Clerk for the year ensuing - Our Esteemed Friend Abediah Gould attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from ^{the} Windham Monthly meeting, held at Limington 26th of 9th mo 1817 uniting with him in his prospect his company and services, have been acceptable to us. - We were again favoured with the company of our esteemed friends, Anna Almy and Rowland Green, whose company and services have been acceptable to us, also Sarah Green, whose company has been acceptable to us, We have read the Queries and answers received from our Monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd and 10th Queries - The Committee appointed at our last Quarter, agreeable to the request of Sandwich -

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Monthly meeting report as followeth, —

Persuant to appointment we have attended Sandwich monthly meetings and afforded them such assistance as appeared to us necessary, which appeared satisfactory to that meeting.

Dover, 10mo 23rd 1817. Paul Rogers, Ezekiel Kato
Rich^d Darnie Isaac Wendell Nicholas Jones
John Brown which is accepted, Dover Monthly meeting having appointed William Brown to the Station of an Elder, this meeting with the concurrence of the Womens meeting, unite therewith and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information —

Our business being closed we propose to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 1st Mo. next.

John Brown Clk.

At our Quarterly meeting held at Sandwich for Dover 22nd of 1st Mo. 1818

By Accounts received from our Monthly meetings, the representatives herein appointed are for Dover Elders Paul Darnie and John Brown & Branch Saml Rogers & John Coffin and from Sandwich, Yr. Servs John Tracy & John Tracy Jr who are all presents — Our Esteemed friend Clark Stearns attended this meeting with a certificate from Haverborough Monthly Meeting and endorsed by Serib of Quarterly Meeting — his company and services have been acceptable to us. Also our Esteemed Friend Nicholas Patten with a copy of minutes from Haverborough Monthly Meeting held at 4th of 1st Mo.

Montpelier - His company has been acceptable
 to us. We have read the Queries and answers
 received from our monthly Meetings to the 1st
 2^d and 10th Query. The remarks upon the ap-
 pears in our answers, we desire, may powerfully
 impress the minds of Friends, to a more faithful
 discharge of duty. - The London General Epis-
 the, of 1816 and those of last year have been read
 at this time -

Our friend Cyrus Burd is a worthy man
 I found before this meeting a concern that had for
 some time rested on his mind to pay a religious
 visit to Friends and others in the compass of Ferris-
 burgh, Quarterly meeting and some parts of Canada
 expressed in a certificate, from Sandwich Monthly
 meeting in his behalf, which is united with and
 the Clerk is directed to endorse S^d Certificate and
 Sign the same in behalf of this meeting -
 Our Business being closed at this time, we propose to
 meet again at the time appointed in the 4th mo. 1816

John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting held at Dover
 June 23rd 1818. Accounts being presented from
 our Monthly meetings, the representatives therein
 appointed are for Dover Solomon Evans, Sen^r
 Carlland and Marble Blaine, for Benning
 David Nichols, Joshua Sheeder and Caleb
 Nichols, for Sandwich John Page Solomon
 Felt and Timothy Varny who are all
 present. - - - The following

The following Epistle from our last Yearly
meeting has been read at this time to our
Satisfaction and encouragement. —

"From our Yearly Meeting for New England & New
England, from the 15th of 1st month to the 15th of the
same inclusive, 1817." —

Dear Friends.

I answer to the Queries
received from our several Yearly Meetings,
we have noticed several deficiencies which still
exists among us; and to have felt deep solicitude for
their removal. — one of these deficiencies is a
wanting of regularity in the attendance of our relig-
ious meetings, particularly those in the middle of
the week, those who have been the cause of this
complaint, have occasioned much exercise of
mind to many Brethren, & believing it to be
a matter of much importance to you and your
tender offspring, we are thus induced in much
love to address you on the subject, and desire
you to examine yourselves, that the Lord may
be pleased in his great mercy and consider-
ing goodness to show you where your standing is,
and what you are building upon: and enable
you to come forward with more dedication and
faithfulness in this important duty — We are
desirous that all Friends in the attendance of
meetings endeavour strictly to keep the hour,
that

that we do not when met remain about the house, engaged in conversation on worldly subjects which so unfits the mind for serious worship: but quietly take their seats under a solemn impression of the important service for which they are met, and retire from our religious assemblies in the same manner. — And, dear Friends, let us not confine these seasons of retirement, in waiting upon the Lord, to meetings for public worship: but that we be frequently engaged therein, in our own families, and whenever hands are employed in our lawful concerns, that we may feel our strength renewed in him, that our conversation may be seasoned with grace.

We have also observed in some of the answers the want of love and unity, that ancient mark of discipleship. We fervently desire those who may feel a lack of this to watch unto prayer, that the Father of Mercies may enable them to remove every thing that obstructs the free circulation thereof; for he that loveth not his brother whom he hath seen, how can he love God whom he hath not seen;

We have also been renewedly impressed at this time, with the belief that children should be devoted from their early years, to a guarded and religious education; that as their minds are then susceptible of very lasting impressions, it becomes a concern,

of much magnitude that right principles be early instilled, and the bias of their inclinations, directed to whatever is good & virtuous, believing that a measure of the Spirit of Truth, adequate to their tender years, is implanted in the minds of children which if improved and advanced in, will procure them peace to their own minds while here, and a crown of blessedness hereafter. that in order for them to be thus rightly instructed, it is necessary that parents and tutors be acquainted with that sanctifying power, which brings into subjection the will & passions of the creature, that in this they labour with unvaried diligence to suppress the very budlings of evil, and cultivate every appearance of good - and how careful should the Guardians of youth be, that they may be preserved from such company, as would be hurtful to them beginning in very early life, and continuing an unremittent vice until they arrive at mature age. - & whereby they would be much preserved from that unsuitable connexion in marriage, which has some times taken place when this care has been wanting.

We also feel a renewed desire to recommend to our Brethren that the use of spirituous liquors be wholly confined, as prescribed by our discipline, to medical purposes, and that even then it be avoided where suitable substitutes

Substitutes can be found: that there may not be
the least cause for attributing to this ineffectual
work, which so dreadfully prevails in our land,
and that we may be true under the government
of the prince of Peace: that our conduct in every
respect may evince that we are engaged to
support a faithful testimony against the bearing of
arms—

Signed on behalf of the Meeting.

Wm. Weston J. Clark

we have read the Queries and Answers recd.
from the Monthly meeting, from which the fol-
lowing summary is prepared, for the yearly
meeting next to be held on Plover Island & we
appoint Bez^a Fry, Paul Rogers Lewis Bean &
Ezekiel Hoit, to attend the P. Yearly meeting
as representatives— Our Treasurer is directed
to forward our proportion of stock to the yearly
meetings Treasurer—

Answers to the Queries

1st All our meetings are attended and generally
by most Friends tho there is a deficiency in some
especially on week days & some care taken to be
generally observed, careful as to unbecoming beha-
viour except some instances of sleeping—

2^d Love and unity in a good degree main-
tained altho much wanting in some instances
retention generally guarded against altho not
roughly all some care has been taken to
end efforts are—

3rd. We believe friends are careful in the several particulars except some instances where there appears a want of care as to plainness, more particularly, that of Speech — —

4th. We believe most Friends are careful in these respects but not without some exceptions —

5th. — We know of no cause of complaint

6th. Careful except two instances of keeping company & care taken. —

7th. Clear as far as appears — —

8th. We believe friends are careful in these respects except a few instances of neglect in the payment of Just debts. — —

9th. There appears some neglect as to Recording a few instances of neglect respecting Certificates and care taken —

10th. Care is taken to deal with offenders & tho. not so fully as queried after judgement has been given when it has appeared necessary. —

Our Business being ^{settled} at this time we propose to meet again & transact at the usual time in the 8^{mo} next —

John Brown Clerk

At Dover's Quarterly meeting held at Berwick's 8^{mo} 27th 1818 Accounts being presented from our Monthly meetings, the representatives therein appointed are — for Dover William Brown Timothy Hanson, & Stephen Sawyer, for Berwick, John

John Buffum, Joseph Brackett & Joshua Perkins
for Sandwich Solomon Knight, Ezra Mead and
Nath Barnes, who are all present - - -

Our Esteemed friends John Heald, attended
this meeting, and most of the meetings constituting
this meeting, with a certificate from Middlebury
monthly meeting, endorsed by Salem Quarterly
meeting, in the State of Ohio - His company &
Gospel labours have been truly acceptable to us.
Also our esteemed friend Thomas Wickersham
in company, with a minute from the same
monthly meeting expressive of their unity
with him in his prospect, his company has been
acceptable to us. Our Beloved friend Anna M.
Thorn, attended this meeting with a certificate
from Ninepartners monthly meeting, endorsed by
Ninepartners Quarterly meeting her company &
services in the Gospel, have been truly acceptable
to us. Also our Esteemed friends Phebe Hoopes and
Matthew Comstock, who produced minutes from
Ninepartners monthly meeting expressing their
unity with them in their prospect in accompanying
Anna M. Thorn, their company has been
acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to retract
the substance of the within minutes in favour
of our Friends and sign the same on behalf
of this meeting. Our Beloved friend Anna M.
attended this meeting, with a minute from
Providence monthly meeting.

her company and services have been acceptable to us. We have read the Queries with the answers rec^d. from our Monthly meetings to the 1st & 10th Queries. Those appointed to attend the yearly meeting inform they all attended except Paul Rogers.

The following minutes from our last yearly meeting, has been read, at this time, to our satisfaction and encouragement.

From The
Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England,
held on Rhode Island,
from the 14th to the 17th day, of the sixth month 1818.
to the Quarterly & Monthly meetings hereto
belonging. Dear Friends—

The appearances unfolded to our view in the Answers to the Queries, have been deeply exercising to the minds of many Friends, and have called forth the expression of a lively concern for their removals. We are aware, that next to the influence of the Spirit of Truth itself, immediately operating on the minds of those who have hitherto neglected its reproofs & invitations, & thus become the objects of these complaints; the labours of concerned & Faithful Friends in their respective meetings, as they become qualified for this, by the influence of the same Spirit, is the source from which

We are to expect the most extensive usefulness: —
 Yet we have felt unwilling to retire from this Assembly, without attempting, under some measure, as we humbly trust, of the influence of Divine love, to address our absent Brethren on some of the interesting subjects, in regard to the state of Society; which have thus occupied our attention.

One of the most prominent causes of complaint, & one which has excited a very lively concern, has so frequently been the object of general & individual censure, that we would gladly refrain from advert- ing to it; yet while the house remains, we cannot, in justice to our feelings, silently pass it by. We allude to the neglect of our Meetings for the solemn act of divine worship — Can the love of God hold a place in that mind which refuses him the reasonable service, of devoting to a public acknowledgment of our dependence upon him, a small portion of that time which he has granted us for purposes the most deeply interesting, having relation not only to the present life, but to that which is to come? — Let the spirit of watchfulness & prayer persuade that mind which feels no concern, under a sense of its own weakness, to unite with the spirits of others in humbly exalting upon him for the renewal of strength, for the guidance of his Spirit, for that sufficiency for all the exigencies of time, which is from him alone; & as the heart becomes

rightly qualified therefore, to join in the ascription of praises to him, for all his manifold favours to his creature man. — We are solicitous, that considerations of this kind may deeply impress the minds of all who have given rise to these complaints; that they may be induced closely to examine whether the want of love to God, the first great duty of man, be not indeed the secret cause of this neglect, however plausible may have been the reasonings by which they have justified it to themselves. It is almost too obvious to require the remark, that the want of love & unity among Brethren, will be found to result from the same cause. — “If we walk in the light, as he (who has called us) is the light, we have fellowship one with another, & the blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, cleanseth us from all sin.” — To the manifestations of this light, may the attention of all be directed, as to a certain standard, —

Learning not to our understanding, to the erring & uncertain light of human reason, may we bring not only our actions, but our motives, to the balance of the Sanctuary; solicitous alone to refer them to principle. — Here we shall let go that attachment to the world, its wisdom, its spirit, & maxims, which is at enmity with God, & enter upon that life of self-renunciation to which all the blessings of the Gospel apply. Here all our testimonies will be supported not because they are enjoined by Discipline

but from an internal conviction of their consistency with the Truth — Love unfeigned, will abound — the spirit of War, or a disposition to partake of its evils will find no place — the motive to deviate from Christian simplicity will be done away — the importance of education, the responsibility of the paternal charge, will be viewed in its just light — our conversation will be guarded — the Scriptures of Truth will be read with delight — the wants of the poor will be relieved — the non-performance of promises will cease to be a subject of complaint — we shall be qualified to labour, feelingly, fervently, & patiently with those whom we find slipping aside from the path of rectitude; & enabled to place judgment when it appears necessary, in the authority of Truth. —

Here in fine (as far as an advancement is known in this path) will be witnessed, a happy release from the bondage of the world, & an admission to the glorious liberty which is to be enjoyed in the freedom of the Gospel: which we desire that all, may rightly labour to attain.

Signed on behalf of the meeting aforesaid,

William Welch Jun. clerk

Extracts from the Minutes of the
Yearly Meeting for New-England
Held on Rhode-Island, in the 6th mo 1818.

It appearing by accounts from several
of our Meetings that there are some of our Mem-
bers, who by a late law of the United States
are authorized (as persons in necessitous circum-
stances) to receive pensions from the Government
for military services performed by them in the
revolutionary war, before they made possession
with us. The cases of such, wherever they may be
have in a feeling manner claimed our serious &
weighty attention; & it is our united sense and
judgment, that it will not be consistent with
that faithful testimony for the Truth, against
War, which all the members of our religious Society
are required to bear, for any such to avail them-
selves of those pensions.

It is therefore advised &
earnestly recommended, to all our Quarterly &
Monthly Meetings, where any cases of this
kind may occur, sensibly to extend their
brotherly love & attention to all such Friends
& in a spirit of sympathy & tenderness, endeavor
to strengthen & impress their minds with a suit-
able sense of the necessity of a cheerful & willing
sacrifice of the property thus tendered to them,
as well for their own peace, as the support of
our Christian testimony against the unright-
eous & cruel practice of War.

At this ~~same~~ time, Friends are recommended to bear in mind our anciently established practice, so reputable to our Society, of contributing to the comfortable support of the necessitous. And where the outward circumstances of any of those alluded to may require assistance, it is advised that a liberal hand of kindness be extended to them, offering them all that relief & comfort which their several conditions may need.

By direction of the Meeting aforesaid
William Scotchden Clerk

By an extract from our last year's Meeting we are requested to forward to their Treasurers Thirty Dollars Our proportion of Six Hundred Dollars concluded to be raised this year.

The Clerk is directed to inform each monthly Meeting their proportions including a small sum omitted last year.

Our Business being closed we proposed to meet again at Faver at the usual time in the 10th mo next.

John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Dover
10th mo 22nd 1818.

Accounts being presented from our month-
ly meetings the representatives therein appointed
are for Dover Samuel Varnay, William Brown
& John Han, for Bernick Elijah Neal & Samuel
Nichols, for Sandwich Enoch Heag, Timothy Var-
ney & Nathan Beede who are all present.

The time having expired for which the Clerks
were appointed, the Representatives propose John
Brown for Clerk & Joshua Meeseler, assistant
Clerk they are accordingly appointed to that
service for one year.

Our Beloved friend John Comly attended
this meeting with a certificate from Byberry Monthly
Meeting, Pennsylvania, & Endorsed by Abington Quar-
terly Meeting held 6th 8th mo 1818. his company & Gos-
pel labours have been satisfactory to us.

Also Our Beloved friend John Russell Davis with
a minute from Sandwich Monthly meeting, his Company
& Services have been acceptable to us. Also Our
Esteemed Friend Seth Hilly his Companion who
introduced a minute from the same Monthly meet-
ing his company has been acceptable to us.

We have read the Queries with the Answers
received from our Monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd
10th Queries.

Our Business being closed we propose
to meet again at Sandwich at the usual
time in the 1st mo next.

By John Brown Clerk

1st mo 28th 1818

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A Dover Quarterly Meeting, held
at Sandwich 1st mo 28th 1819.

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings
the representatives therein appointed are for Dover & vicinity
Hollis & Varnoy & John Brown, for Berwick Joseph
Bruchet & Isaac Meader & Andrew Austin for Sandwich
Joseph Meader John Hoag Jun. John Tolson & Nathl
Samuel who are all present. we have read the
queries & answers recd from our Monthly Meetings
to the 1st, 2nd, & 10th, queries.

This meeting unites with Berwick Monthly Meeting in
the appointment of Joshua Jenkins to the Station of an
Elder, the women's meeting concurring therewith the
Clerk is directed to give the necessary information.

Our Beloved Friend Hannah Bally attended
this meeting with a minute from Starkborough Monthly
Meeting held at Montpelier 1st 1st mo 1819 her company
& Gospel labours has been truly acceptable to us.

Also our esteemed friend Ezra Bally attended
this meeting with a minute from the same monthly meeting
his company has been acceptable to us.

This meeting unites with Sandwich Monthly Meet-
ing in approving the Public Appearances in the Ministry
of Martha Meader, the Women's Meeting having united
therewith. the Clerk is directed to give the necessary
information.

Our business being closed we propose to meet
again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th mo.

John Brown Clerk

At Our Quarterly Meeting held at
Dover 4th mo 22nd 1819.

Accounts being presented from our Monthly Meetings the representatives therein appointed are for Dover Joseph Fitchham, Samuel Varney & Reuben Varney for Bernick, Samuel Nichols & Joshua Tentens - for Sandwich Jonathan Beebe & Josiah. Maston who are all present.

We have read the Queries & answers received from our Monthly Meetings a Summary of which is prepared for the yearly meeting next to be held on Rhode Island, & we appoint Richard Lane William Brown, Josiah. Maston & Ezekiel Hoyt to attend said yearly Meeting as representatives.

An Extract from the minutes of our Quarterly meeting in the 10th mo last in favor of our Esteemed Friends John Russel Davis & Seth Kelly is directed to be signed by the Clerk.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of yearly Meeting stock, to the yearly Meetings Treasurer.

Answers to the Queries

1st Meetings on first days & those for discipline are generally attended by the greater part of friends.

The hour mostly observed - Generally clear of unbecoming behaviour, except some instances of sleeping - Some meetings in the middle of the week not so duly attended by all, & some care taken.

2nd Love & unity we believe are in good degree maintained by most friends, but much wanting in some instances. Detraction is generally

guarded against by most friends, but not enough by all. Care is generally taken as to differences, but not without exception.

3rd Most friends are careful in these particulars yet there are deficiencies in some with respect to plainness.

4th Most friends are in a good degree careful in the several particulars of this query, yet some are not sufficiently careful to avoid the improper use of Spiritous liquors, & some care is taken.

5th Generally careful in these respects.

6th Generally careful but not wholly clear with respect to marriage.

7th Clear as far as appears.

8th Most friends are careful in the several particulars of this query, altho, not without some exceptions.

9th Generally careful as to recording, the other part clear, as far as appears; excepting one instance of coming amongst us without certificate.

10th Care is taken to deal with offenders in degree as querees after yet we believe further care necessary. Generally careful as it respects the placing of judgment.

Our Business being closed we propose to meet again at Berwick, at the usual time in the 8th mo next.

John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting
held at Barwick 8th mo 26th 1819.

Persons being present from our
Monthly Meetings the representatives herein
appointed are - for Dover John Brown, Eli
Warney & John Smith & Nicholas Jones for Barwick
Joshua & Hecker Joseph Brackett & Samuel
Nichols for Sandwich Nathaniel Simons, Benj.
Lrye & John Hoag Junr. who are all present.

Our Esteemed Friends James Hagar from
the State of New York, Benjamin North & Bar-
nabas Taber from Vassalborough & Jacob Conklin
from New York attended this meeting. Their
Certificates were read, their Company & Services
have been acceptable to us, also our Esteemed
Friends Elizabeth H. Wether & Sarah Sutton
from New York attended this meeting their
Certificates were read their Company & Services
have been acceptable to us.

The Queries were read in this meeting and
answers from our Monthly Meetings to the 1st
2^d, & 3^d Queries.

Those appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting
inform they all attended.

It appears by the following extract that
Dover Monthly Meeting, Requests the advice
& assistance of this meeting in a difficult
case, & we appoint John Hoag, Joshua Hecker
Joshua Jenkins Samuel Nichols Joseph Brackett
& Sam^l Nowell to afford them such advice &
assistance as may appear best in s^d case &
report at our Next Quarter.

Received the following request by way of Gilmanston
 preparative meeting; and the difference therein
 mentioned having hitherto been under the consideration
 of this meeting, as well as at this time & labour hav-
 ing been bestowed without the desired effect, we
 now conclude to ask the assistance of the quarterly
 Meeting thereon. Since the Committee formerly app-
 ointed in said case, viz. Richard Davis, Marble
 C. Stone, Jonathan Eastman & William Brown
 Isaac Wendell, John Brown & Thomas Evans
 are requested to represent the case to the Quarterly
 Meeting, or their Committee.

The following Extract from the minutes of our
 last Yearly Meeting for the further aid of the
 Yearly Meeting School, has been read at this
 time, & proposed to be handed down to our several
 Monthly Meetings.

At Our Yearly Meeting held on Rhode
 Island for New-England,

June 16th. — The Committee appointed, at our
 last Sitting, on the State of the School Fund,
 presented the following Report: viz.

"We have examined the subscription
 papers, (in the hands of the Treasurer Fund,) &
 find that \$2632 will, from the most correct
 information we can obtain, be paid soon. — And
 in further aid of the Institution, we think it will
 be necessary to raise \$2000, & that a subscription
 be entered into for the purpose of raising the

Sum, at this time; but should there be a
deficiency, we recommend that it be sent down
to the several Quarterly & Monthly Meetings,
for Friends to subscribe in their freedom!

John Estlin, Benjamin Nott
Nesby Starkey, Enoch Breece,
John Brown, Zenas Gardner,
Newport 16th Mo 1814. Josiah Dove,

Which having been considered
& the propositions therein contained united with,
a Committee was appointed to call on Friends
to contribute in their power, to the object in
view, & report at a future sitting:

The Committee afterwards, (as by previous
minutes,) at this next sitting reported, that
they had obtained subscriptions in aid of
the School Fund, to the amount of \$925.50
which falling short of the sum proposed to be
raised; & it appearing that the State of the
Treasury of the Institution is such as to afford
no adequate means of defraying expenses, which
will be necessarily incurred in making such
improvements about the House & S^ch, as are
requisite for the better accommodation & con-
venience of the Yearly Meeting School; & it being
at the same time thought very desirable, that
a Fund should be commenced, which in the
progress of the Institution may extend its
usefulness to the Children of Friends in moderate
circumstances than can now avail themselves
of it, the Clerk is directed to transmit

copies of these Minutes to our several Quarterly & Monthly Meetings, in the expectation, from the service of this committee, that Friends will contribute according to their ability, in promotion of this good. Such subscriptions as may be obtained to be forwarded to Moses Brown, Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting School Lane.

Extracted from the Minutes of the Meeting aforesaid, held by adjournments, from the 13th to the 16th of the 6th mo 1816.
Abraham Thompson Clerk

It appears by a minute from our last Yearly Meeting that this meeting is requested to forward to their Treasurer 30th of our proportion of Six hundred Dollars propose to be raised for the service of the ensuing year. The Clerk is directed to inform each monthly Meeting their proportions.

London Epistles of last year have been read at this time.

The Clerk is directed to endorse the Certificate of our Friend Benjamin Worth & Barnabas Barber & sign the same on behalf of this Meeting.

Our Business being closed at this time we propose to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 10th mo next.

John Brown Clerk.

At our Quarterly Meeting held at
 Dover 10th to 28th 1816.

Accounts being presented from our several
 monthly meetings the representatives therein ap-
 pointed are for Dover Elijah & Reader for
 Samuel Varney & Eli Varney, for Bernick
 Samuel Belfrage & Samuel Nichols for
 Sandwich Enos & Henry Elijah Beede & Nathl.
 James who are all present, — the time having
 expired for which the clubs were appointed
 the representatives propose John Brown for
 Clerk & Joshua Reader for Assistant Clerk
 they are accordingly appointed to that service
 the ensuing year.

The Queries were read in this meeting and
 answers from our monthly Meetings to the 1st & 2nd
 & 3rd Queries. — The Committee appointed at
 our last Quarter to advise Dover & Monthly
 meetings, inform they have attended to their
 appointment, but not ready to report they
 are continued to next meeting.

The following Minutes in Favour of our
 Friends James Hazard, Elizabeth H. Walker,
 Susan Sutton & Jacob Conklin who acceptably
 attended our Quarterly Meeting in the 8th moth
 last were read & by direction of this meeting
 signed by the Clerk.

To Cornwall Monthly
 Meeting, Orange County, State of New York.
 Our Esteemed Friend James
 Hazard attended Our Quarterly Meeting

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in the 8th mo last, & all the meetings herunto belonging
with a minute from your meeting - her Company &
Services in the Gospel have been truly acceptable to us.
Signed by direction & on behalf of I over Quarterly
meeting held at Dover 10th mo 8th 1819.

By John Brown Clerk

To Purchase Monthly Meeting, County of West
Chester State of New York.

Our Beloved Friend Elizabeth H Walker at-
tended this meeting in the 8th mo last & most other
meetings herunto belonging with Certificate from
your meeting - her company & gospel labours
have been acceptable to us -

Signed by direction & on behalf of I over
Quarterly meeting held at Dover 10th mo 28th 1819

By John Brown Clerk

To Shippagan Monthly Meeting County of
West Chester State of New York.

Our Esteemed Friend Sarah Fulton attend-
ed our Quarterly meeting in the Eighth month
last & most other meetings constituting it
with a minute from your meeting in Company
with Elizabeth H Walker - her Company has
been acceptable to us -

Signed by direction & on behalf of
Dover Quarterly meeting held at Dover 10th mo
28th 1819

By John Brown Clerk

To Shippagan Monthly Meeting County
of West Chester State of New York

Our Beloved Friend Jacob Conklin
 attended our Quarterly Meeting in the 8th mo
 last, & most other meetings constituting it
 with a minute from your meeting in company
 with Elizabeth H. Walker, his Company has
 been acceptable to us —

Signed by direction & on behalf of
 Dover Quarterly Meeting held at Dover
 10th mo 28th 1816, By John Brown Clerk

Our Business being closed at this time, we
 propose to meet again at Sandwich in the first
 month next. — John Brown Clerk

At Dover Quarterly Meeting held at
 Sandwich 1st mo 27th 1820 —

Accounts for our Monthly Meetings be-
 ing present the Representatives by appointment
 are for Dover Timothy Hanson Eli Varney
 & John Brown for Berwick David Nichols
 Joshua Meeker & Joshua Jenkins for Sandwich
 John Hoag Benj. Fry, & John Hoag Jun^r
 who were all present. — The Queries were
 read in this meeting & answers rec^d from our
 Monthly Meetings to the 1st 2nd & 10th Queries
 The Committee appointed to advise Dover
 Monthly Meeting in a case of difference, not
 being ready to report are continued —

Our Business being closed at this time
 we propose to meet again at Dover at the
 usual time in the 4^{mo} next. —

At Our Quarterly Meeting held at

Sour 4mo 27th 1820—

Accounts from our monthly meetings being present
the representatives by appointment are for Dover Town
Carlland James Varnoy & Isaac Wendell for Berwick
Joshua Meador David Nichols Andrew Austin
& Joshua Jenkins — for Sandwich John Folsom James
Hog & Joshua Hog who are all present. —

We have read the Queries & answers rec^d from our
Monthly meetings a Summary of which is prepar'd
for the Yearly Meeting next to be held on Rhode Island
and we have appointed James Hog Richard (David)
& Benjamin Fry to attend S^d Yearly Meeting
as Representatives — This meeting unites with Dover
Monthly meeting in the appointment of John Brown &
Mary T Brown to the station of Elders, the Women's meeting
also concurring therewith & the clerk is directed to give the
necessary information — The Committee to advise & assist
Dover Monthly Meeting in a case of difference are
continued another Quarter. —

The Treasurer of this meeting is directed to forward
our proportion of Yearly meeting Stock to the Yearly
Meeting's treasurer —

Ans^d & All our Meetings for Worship & Discipline
except two mid-week meetings (which have been and
are generally attended by the greater part of Friends)
yet there is a neglect in many in their due attendance
more especially in the middle of the week — careful to ob-
-serve the hour — generally clear of unbecoming behavior
except some instances of sleeping —

4th Love & Unity are in a good degree maintained
in general & deduction guaranteed against the, not
~~without~~ without some exceptions - some care is
taken to ease differences -

3rd Most friends are careful in the several par-
- ticulars of this query yet we think there is a defi-
- ciency in some with regard to plainness & good examples

4th Most friends we believe are careful in the
several particulars of this query yet some are not
sufficiently guarded against the improper use of
Spirituals Liquors - and some care taken. ~

5th Clear as far as appears. ~

6th Mostly careful in these respects yet with some ^{exceptions}

7th Generally careful. ~

8th Not all so careful to settle accounts as
ought to be & some ~~exceptions~~ also in the latter
clauses of this query -

9th Generally careful as to recording - clear
as to certificates - except one instance. ~

10th Care is taken to deal with offenders - altho
we are sensible of a falling short of what is here
queried after - careful as to placing judgment

Our Business being closed at this time
we propose to meet again at Berwick at the
usual time in the 8th mo next -

John Brown

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Dover Quarterly Meeting held at
Berwick 8th mo. 24th 1820 -

Accounts from our monthly meetings being
present the representatives by appointment and for Dover
James Roberts Son^e Dame & Timothy Hanson for
Berwick David Nichols Joseph Brackell & Asa
Allen for Sandwich Cyrus Beow, Parker Felch &
Benj. Fry — who being called on are all present

Our Esteemed Friend Charles Osborn attended
this meeting with a certificate from New Garden monthly
meeting in Wayne County State of Indiana, dated 2^d of
8th mo 1819, endorsed by White Water Quarterly Meeting
held the 2nd of 10mo 1819 — his company & Gospel labours
have been acceptable to us — Also James Pegg his
Companion with a minute from White Water Monthly
meeting expressive of their unity with him in his
prosperity, his company has been acceptable to us —

The Queries with the required answers from our
Monthly meetings have been read — The representatives
to attend the last yearly meeting inform they atten-
= ded — The committee appointed to advise & assist
Dover monthly meeting in a case of difference inform
they have attended to their appointment, but not ready
to report are continued —

The Select Quarterly Meeting propose that the Select
members belonging to Sandwich monthly meeting be
allowed to hold a Select preparative meeting at Sand-
wich & the Select members belonging to Dover &
Berwick monthly meetings constitute another
Select preparative meeting which after deliberation
thereon is united with the women's meeting concurring
herewith

(42) The following Extract from our last yearly Meeting has been read at this time

It appears to this meeting from answers to the Queries received from Dover Quarterly Meeting & from other circumstances that have come to our knowledge) that usefulness will result in the appointment of a Committee to visit that Quarterly Meeting, and such of its Monthly and particular meetings and Individuals as way open for — We appoint Thomas Arnold Silvester Wickes, Abijah Chase Robert Bragton Cornelius Howland, & Wm. Scotch Junr. to that service; therein to afford such advice & assistance as they may consider best adapted to the objects of their appointment. and report at our next Yearly Meeting

Extracted from the Minutes of our Yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode Island from the 11th to the 14 of the 6th Mo 1820

Abraham Sherman Secy

The following Committee (viz) Thomas Arnold Silvester Wickes Abijah Chase Cornelius Howland, & William Scotch Junr attended this this Meeting, with the following Extract from our last Yearly Meeting their company & attention to the concerns of Society has been acceptable to us

This meeting after weightily considering the deficiency in the members of Sex Meeting belonging to Dover Monthly Meeting in not keeping up their meetings on week Days do recommend to sd Monthly Meeting that

that they appoint a suitable Committee to visit them as may may open & endeavor the restoration of their meeting agreeably to the advice of the Yearly Meeting's Committee. —

The Clerk is directed to extract the substance of the within minute in favor of our Friends Charles Osborne & Companion & sign the same on behalf of this Meeting — We have rec^d seven of the London General Epistle of 1819 one of which being read at this time was to our Comfort & Satisfaction the Clerk is directed to distribute them to our several Monthly Meetings —

It is propos'd to raise seven hundred doll^s for the use of this Meeting for the ensuing year which our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to our Treasurer in the usual proportions Dover Quarterly Meeting's proportion is thirty five Doll^s

On behalf of New-England yearly Meeting of Friends, held on Rhode Island, in 1820 —
Abram Shearman Jun^r &c

Our Business being closed at this time
we propose to meet again at the
usual time at Dover in the
10th mo next —

By John Brown Clerk

Dover Quarterly Meeting held 26th
of 10th mo 1820.

Accounts from our Monthly Meetings
being present the Representatives by appointment are
for Dover Sam Wainey John Brown & Isaiah Jenkins,
For Berwick, Joseph Brackett Joshua Meader & Stephen
Jenkins For Sandwich James Hoag Timothy Wainey
& Ezra Meador, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were
appointed, the Representatives proposed, John Brown
for Clerk & Joshua Meador for Assistant clerk, which
being united with they are appointed to that service
for one year. — We have read the Queries
& answers read from our several Monthly Meetings
to the 1st 2nd & 10th Query. — Our Esteemed Friend
Enoch Page attended this Meeting with a Minute
from Weare Monthly Meeting Dated 10th mo 14, 1819
Expressing their unity with him in his prospect
& Encours by Salem Quarterly Meeting. held at
Weare 21st of 10th mo 1819 his company & Services
have been acceptable to us.

The Committee appointed to advise & assist
Dover Monthly Meeting in a case of difference
inform they have attended to their appointment &
have transmitted the following advice from our
Yearly Meeting's Committee which is accepted &
they accordingly Dismiss'd from further service
in s^d case. — Viz. Altho. we have seen the
satisfaction "to believe, there is a comfortable
progress" of the unhappy Misunderstanding at.

deliberations being settled by compromise with some
 degree of cordiality, among the parties concerned yet we
 think it may not be amiss for us to express to you that if
 it should unhappily fail it is our desire, taking every circumstance
 into view that it would be advisable for the meetings both Quar-
 terly & Monthly, to suspend any further proceedings in the case
 for the present, & leave the parties at Liberty to assert their
 rights by a Trial at Law.

Both Quarterly Meetings committee
 in the case of the Sandwich Monthly Meeting
 Thomas Arnold
 Sylvester Wilkes
 Cornelius Rowland

The aforesaid advice from the Yearly Meeting's
 Committee is directed to be recorded with the minutes
 of Dover Monthly Meeting.

The following communication from Sandwich
 Monthly Meeting has been read, which after deliberation
 thereon it is the advice of this meeting that S. Meeting
 recommend to the Elders or Overseers & Clerks be-
 longing to S. Meeting that they give such of their mem-
 bers as may apply to them Certificates as nearly to
 answer the law as they in their judgment think
 safe. It is also the sense of this meeting that S. cer-
 tificates may be either signed by the Clerks of the
 preparative or monthly meetings - The Clerk
 is directed to furnish Sandwich Monthly Meeting
 with a copy of this minute - also to extract the sub-
 stance of the within minute in favor of our Friend
 Enoch Page & sign the same on behalf of this meeting

Our Business being closed at this time
 we propose to meet again at Sandwich at the
 usual time in the 1st mo.

John Brown Clerk

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Dover Quarterly Meeting held at
Sandwich mo 25th 1820

By accounts rec^d from our Monthly
Meetings the representatives therein appointed are
for Dover, Richard (Dane) James Austin & Eli
Varney, for Berwick Josiah Brackee, Joshua
Weeder & John Buffum for Sandwich James
Hoag, John Hoag & Joseph Varney Jun^r who are
all present — Our Esteemed Friend Benj.
Tabor attended this meeting with a certificate
from Starkborough monthly Meeting dated 11 mo
3^d 1820 & Endors^d by Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting
held 9th of 11th mo 1820 uniting with him in his
prospect — his company & services have been ac-
= ceptable to us — Also Stephen Carpenter companion
to Benj. Tabor attended this meeting with a copy of
a minute from Starkborough Mo. meeting held
at Lincoln 12 mo 1st 1820 expressive of their unity
with him in his prospect his company has been
acceptable to us — We have read the Queries &
answers rec^d from our mo. meetings to the 1st
2nd & 10th — This meeting with the concurrence
of the Women's meeting unites with Dover monthly
meeting in approving the public appearance
in the ministry of Jane Flussey, the clerk is
directed to give the necessary information —

Our Friends Martha & Elizabeth Meader laid
before this meeting a concern to pay a reli-
= gious visit to friends & others within the
limits of Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting

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which after deliberation thereon is ordered with & the
substance of this minute endorsed on their minutes from
Sandwich Monthly Meeting & signed by the Clerk

Our Business being closed at this
time, we propose to meet again a Quarter at the usual
time in the 4th mo next
John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting held at Dover 4mo 25th 1821.

On accounts recd. from our Monthly Meetings the
representations therein appointed are for Dover, Saml Perry,
Stephen Sawyer & Joseph Little, for Norwich, Andrew Asht-
on, Samuel Nichols & Joshua Jenkins, for Sandwich, Perry
Soy, Joshua Soy, & Joseph Henry &c who are all present.

We have read the Queries and answers received from
our Monthly Meetings, a Summary of which is prep-
ared, for the yearly meeting next to be held on Nether-
Shed, and we appoint John Brown, Ezekiel Smith,
Richd Dams & Perry Soy, representatives to attend
said meeting. This meeting with the concurrence
of the two messengers, unites with Sandwich Mon-
thly meeting in the appointment of Lydia Soy to
the Station of an elder, the Clerk is directed to give
the necessary information. Recd. Fifty five Lms from
General Epistles, one of which has been made to
our satisfaction and encouragement. The Treasurer of
the meeting is directed to forward thirty five Dollars
our proportion of yearly meeting Stock to the yearly
meetings Treasurer. Our Business being closed at this,
we again propose to meet again, at Norwich at the
usual time, in the 8th mo next. John Brown Clerk.

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Officers Quarterly meeting held at Norwich 5mo 29th
By request & call from our monthly
meeting the representatives by appointment are
for Dorset Saml Bann, Danl Andrews, & Saml Warrick
for Norwich Saml Waffan, James Hussy & Andrew Austin
for Saybrook. Ezra Alexander Timothy Perry & James
Boag, who are all present. Our esteemed friend
Jonathan Green attends this meeting with a certifica-
te from Greenwich monthly meeting held at East Green-
wich 20th of the year 1831 expressive of their unity with
him in his prospect. His company and services have been
acceptable to us. We have read the Quorum and answer
received from our monthly meetings to the 15th of 30th
1831. The Friends appointed to attend the Yearly
meeting inform they are attended. It appears by an extra-
ct from our last Yearly Meeting, our proportion of yearly
meeting dues is thirty five dollars, which the clerk is direc-
ted to apportion as usual, to our several monthly meetings.
The following extracts from the Yearly Meeting of
Boarding School committee has been read and
directed to be forwarded to our several monthly
meetings — and the Yearly Meeting of Friends,
near on Rhode Island, for New England, from
the 10th to the 15th of the sixth month, inclusive 1831.
The following report of the School committee
being read, was accepted, and the clerk directed to
forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and
monthly meetings. Extracted from the minutes of
said meeting. Attest Samuel Bann, Sec. Clerk.

I, the yearly meeting —

The Boarding School Committee report, that the school is still continued, under the care of Matthew and Henry Livingston, as Superintendents, and Thomas Greenland, Stephen A. Shaw, and Eliza Ann, as Assistants. The number of children at the Institution for the last year has averaged about seventy five for the whole year. Meetings for worship have been continued, as previously established. The family has been preserved in harmony & the concerns of the Institution, generally, conducted, as to afford continued promise of usefulness —

By the accounts of the Superintendent & officers, that the expenses of the family have been paid by the receipts for board & tuition, and that the Institution is now free from debt. Most of the Monthly meetings have availed themselves of the privilege given last year of sending one child to the Institution for the space of six months, and such as have not availed themselves of it, viz Leabrooks Seneca, Wm. Widham, Sidney and Rachel, are now considered at liberty to send one child each, twelve months, provided they conclude to do so, within six months from this date; and such Monthly meetings as have availed themselves of the privilege, have the liberty of sending a child within six months of the ensuing year, or if proposed by any Monthly meetings, they may send two children three months each — The committee, having noticed with concern, that as reports of sickness of death, their recommendations in minutes forwarded to the different Monthly meetings have not in some instances, been attended to think that useful news may result from bringing their minutes of 2nd Mo. 1817 before the Yearly meeting, that it may again be forwarded to the Mo. Meetings under the sanction,

2. Signed on behalf of the committee.

Samuel Rodman.
Dorcas Brown.

a copy of the Minutes corresponding Epistles of the
B.M. 1831, has been made to our satisfaction and encourag-
ement. The clerk is directed to furnish our monthly meeting
with a copy of the same. our Esteemed friend Benj^d Fiske atten-
ded this meeting in the 1st month last, and most other meet-
ings considering this with a minute from Southbury M^c.
Meeting, the company and business has been acceptable to us
and the clerk is directed to forward an extract of this
Minutes, to said M^c. Meeting, is also directed to endorse
the substance of the within minute in favour of our
friend Asahel Green, and sign the same on behalf of
the meeting.

Our business being closed we adjourn
proposive to meet again at Dover at the usual time
in the 10th next.

Jⁿ Brown Clerk

All our Quarterly meeting held at Dover
10th 20th 1831.

By accounts received from our
monthly meetings the representatives by appoin-
tment are, for Dover Jacob Varney, Joseph Little and
Simothy Warner for Westwick, John Buffum and
Andrew Austin, for Sandwich, Joshua Hooge
Benj^d Fiske and John Fiske, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the
delegates were appointed, the representatives propose
John Brown for clerk and Joshua Hooge for an
assistant clerk. The same appointments are proposed

To that Service the ensuing year -

The Queries with the required answers have been
and at this time -

Our Business being closed at the time,
we propose to meet again at Sandwich, at the same
time in the first month next -

John Brown, Clerk

Our Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich
the 24th of 11^{mo} 1822 By accounts received from our friends
by mail the representations by appointment are for
Dorset Egbert Smith & Son & Eli Parker for Norwich
Dorset Egbert Smith & Son and Samuel Puffer, for London
Dorset Egbert Smith & Son & John Henry who are all
present. Our Beloved friend Eliza George attended this meet-
ing and some other meetings having belonged with a
certificate, from Stockborough monthly meeting dated the
30th of the 11^{mo} 1821. endorsed by Stockborough Quarterly Meeting
held the 8th of the same - his company, and fellowship
has been acceptable to us. - Also, James Chase his com-
panion, attended the meeting with a certificate from Stock-
borough monthly meeting held at Lincoln the 30th of 11^{mo}
1821. uniting with him in his prospects, his company
has been acceptable to us. The clerk is directed to extend
the within minutes in favour of our friends and sign the
same on behalf of the meeting. We have read the Queries
and answers sent for our Monthly meeting to
the 1st of 12^{mo} 1822. The deficiencies in which, particu-
larly, the neglect of attending our midweek meetings, has
excited many minds, and given rise to many feelings.

remarks, which is desired may tend to quicken
our minds to a more faithful discharge of duty.
Our Business being closed at this time, we propose
to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the
18th Meet,

John Bacon Clerk

At our last meeting held
at Dover 14th 22d 1822 By accounts received from our
monthly meetings the representation, therein appointed
are for Dover, Solomon Deane, Victor Vane, & Joseph
Pelle, for Norwich, John Buffum, Joseph Brackett and
Joshua Jenkins. for Sandwich, Timothy Turner, Saml.
Scrivener, and Joshua Swan, who are all present —
we have read the Queries and answers received from
our monthly meetings, from which the following
Summary is prepared for the yearly meeting meet
to be held in Rhode Island and we appoint James
Keay, Rev. J. Fry, Jr. & Saml. Isaac Wendell & John
Powers, to attend the aforesaid yearly Meeting as
representatives. This meeting unites with Norwich
monthly meeting in the appointment of Joshua Mearns
and which alludes to the Station of Elders, the Women's Meet-
ing also unites. The Clerk is directed to give the
necessary information, the following extract from the
minutes of the Meeting of Sufferings has been read at
at this time. An Extract from the minutes of the
Meeting of Sufferings held at Providence the 6th day of
the second month 1823. This meeting having had
printed under its direction One thousand Copies of

Samuel & George answered to Mr. Parker and paid the
 expense thereof, out of the Yearly Meetings. The said Mr.
 Parker to reimburse the amount, do recommended the purchase
 of said books to our members at the price of Sixty cents per
 each book, and the Quarterly Meetings are requested to
 appoint some friends to receive from their respective
 monthly meetings the money that may be collected thereof
 and forward it to the said Parker, Treasurer to the yearly
 meeting. A number of Copies are lodged in the hands
 of Samuel & George, at Perth for sale and distribution
 when the application of friends may be made.

To Friends of Grand
 Quarterly Meeting

In behalf of the Meeting

Samuel Coleman Clerk

whereupon we appointed, Jesse Vaney, Saml. Parker and
 Joshua Allen, to receive from their respective Mon-
 thly meetings the money that may be collected thereof
 and forward it to the yearly meeting, Treasurer.

The Treasurer of this meeting is directed to forward
 our proportion of yearly Meeting dues to the yearly
 meeting, Treasurer.

Our business being closed at this time
 we conclude proposing to meet again at Newark
 at the usual time in the 8th next.

John Parker Clerk

Quarterly Meeting held at Newark
 Nov. 22^d 1822. Accounts from our Monthly meetings
 being presented for settlement. By appointment we
 for James Lewis H. Wells, Jonathan Davis & John Sawyer
 for Newark, Joseph Brackett & Andrew Austin and
 Samuel Nichols - - for

Sandwich, John Norder John Page and
 Samuel Christman who are all present —
 The Queries and answers received from our Monthly
 meetings have been read. The representatives appointed
 to attend our last Yearly meeting inform they all
 attended, the following extract from our Yearly meeting
 in the b.m. east, and the report of the Boarding School
 committee, dated 27th Dec 1822, has been read and we
 to our satisfaction & encouragement.

From our Yearly Meeting of Friends,
 held on Rhode Island, for New England, from
 the 15th to the 26th of the Sixth Month inclusive 1822.
 Dear Friends.

Having been afflicted with an exercise for the wel-
 fare of the body, a sermon has arisen to address
 the members of this yearly meeting on account of
 various deficiencies which appear in the reports
 to the meetings this year, concerning some of our
 Christian testimonies. Among these, is that of att-
 ending our religious meetings, the neglect of which,
 we have reason to believe, tends to poverty
 in all those who decline the practice of assembling
 with their brethren for the purposes of religious
 worship, we likewise observe with sorrow, that
 our testimony respecting the use of Spirituous liquors,
 is in divers instances disregarded by Members
 of our Society, thereby exposing themselves to many
 trials and temptation, & not by irretrievable misery,
 we believe that many of these weaknesses and

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deviations which must annoy us, are introduced, giving us way to a corrupt spirit, and hence their foundation in this for "the carnally minded is death" — May we therefore, dear friends, endeavor above all things to seek an increasing acquaintance with the face of our Lord, by often retiring to His resting upon Him, whereby we may feel His spirit to help our infirmities, and teach us what to pray for. — As this becomes our frequent practice, it will promote love to the brethren, and keep us from an undue attachment to the things of the world, and strengthen us to our common things that have easily laid us. In this spirit, our religious meetings will be made precious to us, and we shall not be easily hindered from assembling with our brethren; we shall become desirous of contributing a good example; and shall know a being qualified to unite with others to labour, in the spirit of meekness and wisdom with those who may be found departing from the testimonies which we so dearly are bound to read.

And we have felt particularly desirous, that ourselves and other concerned friends, in all our Monthly Meetings, may seasonably and faithfully labour for the restoration and preservation of all our Members, carefully cultivating a spirit of love and unity, bearing in mind that these are essential qualifications necessary to labour with those who may be found departing from our religious testimonies.

Signed by direction, and on behalf of the
meeting assembled.

Abraham Shastman Jr. Clk.

56 At our yearly Meeting, held as ordered,
6th mo. 1832. The following minutes of this Meet-
ing, of the year 1716, being considered, is revised,
and directed to be forwarded to the Quarterly and
monthly meetings, that it may be entered in our
Books of Discipline viz.

"The Yearly Meeting of Friends, held on Moore
Island, the 18th of 1st mo. 1716. It is the judgment of
this meeting, that no persons that is not of unity with
Friends: or under dealing of Friends for any mis carriage
should be suffered to draw mentions of Business, or
show their collections to be received, but be desired to
withdraw from such meetings, until such time as
they give satisfaction for such their mis carriage."

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends,
held on Moore Island for New England, from the
18th to the 25th of the 1st mo. inclusive 1833.

The following Report of the Executive School
Committee, being read, is accepted, and copies directed
to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly
meetings, from the minutes of this meeting.

Abraham S. Isaacson Secy. 64

To the Yearly Meeting

The Executive School Committee Report, that they have
continued their care in the concerns of that Institution,
which have been so considered, as to meet their approba-
tion. Matthew and Peter, Cunningham, with several the
care of Superintendent, and Isaacson, Samuel to the
Africa's Care and Lord's Service, as employed as

Instructors. Thomas. With the aid of a fully supplied
 report of the past year, a full statement. The improve-
 -ments made by the children committed to their care
 has been such as to afford us encouragement. Meetings
 have been kept up as at first established, and they are gene-
 rally attended by some of the committee. The Superintendents
 Teachers and other members of the family appear to live in
 harmony; and a greater degree of health has been witnessed
 than in any previous year. The average number of scholars
 has been about seventy-five. The receipts for board and tuition
 continue to meet the expenditures. The situation of the
 funds is such as to enable the Committee again to admit
 one scholar from each Monthly meeting, six Month, or two
 scholars three months each, free of expense. They feel it in-
 -cumbent upon them to, suggest to Monthly Meetings, that
 judicious selections, in their cases, are of importance; It
 having been found by experience, that such as have had
 some opportunities for previous improvement, have not only
 made greater proficiency, than when it has been otherwise,
 but such upon their return home, have been usefully employ-
 -ed, as instructors, in smaller schools; thereby rendering the
 Institution more extensively beneficial.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
 A. Shearman Jr.
 Mary B. Allen

Providence 5th Mo 3rd 1822.

We have received at this time 68 of the London General
 Epistles of 1821. one of which being read at this time was to
 Satisfaction, they are directed to be distributed to our seven
 -at the Meetings. It appears by the following minute,
 It is concluded to raise Six Hundred Dollars for Yearly Meeting
 Stock. In the ensuing year this meeting's proportion is Thirty Dollars
 which is apportioned in the following manner, Dover fifteen
 Dollars, Burwick Nine Dollars & Sandwich Six Dollars

At our yearly Meeting held on Rhode Island 6th Mo. 1822
 It is concluded that Six hundred dollars be raised for the service of the ensuing
 year which our several Quarterly meetings, are requested to forward
 to our Treasurer in the same proportion as last year, Dover 24. Meeting's proportion
 is thirty Dollars - On behalf of the Yearly Meeting A. Shearman & Co. Secy
 Our Business being closed we adjourned - John Brown Secy

Our Quarterly meeting held at Dover 10th 24th H 1822.

Accounts from our Monthly meetings being present the representatives therein appointed are for Dover - Isaac Wendell C. Marble Osborn and Solomon Evans, for Berwick Elijah Neal. Stephen Jenkins and Joshua Jenkins, for Sandwich John Tolson Nathl. Barnes & Stephen Wade, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed the representatives propose, John Brown for clerk and Andrew Austin for an assistant clerk, they are accordingly appointed to that service the year ensuing -

Our Esteemed Friend William Forster Jr attended this meeting, and most other meeting herunto belonging, with a certificate from Shaftsbury & Sherborn Monthly Meeting, held 12th of 4th mo. 1819, and endorsed by the Quarterly meeting of Dorset & Grants, held the 14th of the same. Also a certificate from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders, held in London the 18th 16th and 29th of 4th mo 1819 -

Whose company and labours in the Gospel has been acceptable to us. Also our Esteemed Friend John Paul companion to William Forster Jr, who presented a minute from the Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia, for the Northern district held 24th of 4th mo. 1820. His company has been acceptable to us -

Our Esteemed Friend John Warren attended this meeting with a certificate from Fardlem Monthly Meeting held at Ligon, State of Maine the 13th of 8th mo. 1822. endorsed by Vassalborough Quarterly Meeting, held the 12th of 9th mo. following. His company has been acceptable -

Also our Esteemed Friend Moses Dow is acceptable with us with a Minute from Vassalborough Monthly meeting expressing their unity with him in his prospect of accompanying John Warren on his religious visit -

The Queries and Answers received from our Monthly -

meetings to the 1st, 2^d, & 12th Decy. have been read at his time
 Mr. Clark is directed to extract the within minute in favour of our
 friend John Paul. Comptroller to William Foster Jr and sign the same
 on behalf of this meeting -

Our Business being closed, we conclude, proposing to meet again
 at Sandwich at the usual time in the 1^{mo}. next.

John Brown Clerk

Dover Quarterly meeting held at Sandwich 23^d 1^{mo} 1822

Accounts from our several Monthly meetings.
 being present, the representatives, therein named are for Dover
 Jacob Varney, Ezekiel Hail, and Daniel Osborne, from Benwick
 Benajah Buffum, Joseph Brackett, & Joshua Meader, for -
 Sandwich, Cyrus Beede, Timothy Varney, and John Varney
 who are all present except Danl. Osborne -

We have read the Queries with the answer received
 from our several Monthly meetings; -

Our friend Amos Peaslee, being with us on a social
 visit with a minute of concurrence from Chesterfield
 monthly meeting held the 12th 3rd 1822 which has been
 acceptable to us,

Having no further Business, at this time we conclude
 intending to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the
 4th mo. next.

Andrew Austin, assistant, Clerk

At our Quarterly Meeting held at Dover 4th Mo 24th 1823 —

Accounts from our Several Monthly Meetings being present. The representatives therein appointed are for Dover, John Brown, Stephen Sawyer & Jonathan, for Berwick, Joshua Jenkins, Joseph Brackett, & Sam^l Nichols, for Sandwich, John Hoag, Benj^l Fry and Joshua Hoag, who are all present, except John Hoag —

We have read the Queries with the answers received from our Several Monthly Meetings, from which the following the following Summary is, prepared for the yearly Meeting next to be held on Rhode Island, and we appoint, Joshua Mader, Benj^l Fry and Richard Lam, to attend 1st Yearly Meeting as representatives —

1st. Most friends are careful to observe the due attendance of all our meetings, yet they are much neglected by some, especially those in the middle of the week; the hour generally observed by most, mostly clear of unbecoming behavior except some instances of sleeping. —

2^d. We believe Love & Unity are generally maintained by most friends, yet we are sensible they are much wanting in some instances; we think there is a care to guard against distraction in the greater part, but not enough in all, where differences have arisen, some care has been taken to end them —

3rd. Most friends endeavour to bring up their families in plainness, yet there is an evident deficiency in some; mostly careful & careful as to the reading of pernicious books and corrupt conversation, yet with some exceptions, the holy scriptures, frequently read in friends families. —

4th. Most friends are in a good degree careful in these particulars, yet we think some are too frequently in the use of spirituous liquors & frequenting places of publick resort, and some care taken —

5th Clear as far as appears

6th Generally careful with the exception of a few instances, of marrying out, & care taken,

7th Generally clear, with the exception of a few instances of a military nature & care taken —

8th Most friends are careful in their respects, altho without some exceptions —

9th Mostly tho, Not wholly clear in their respects —

10th In some measure careful to deal with offenders agreeable to this Query; no complaint as to pleasing judgement —

The following extract from a meeting of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee held 2mo. 7th 1823 has been read at this time, and is to our satisfaction —

At a Meeting of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee held the 7th of 2nd mo. 1823

The Committee appointed on the subject of equalizing the expense attending sending children to this School made the following Report. Viz

The committee appointed on the subject of equalizing the expense of sending children to this Institution Report, that they have considered the subject with due attention and are of opinion that an allowance of Friends of the three lower Quarters of a certain part of the expense they must necessarily bear in sending their children to this School will render the Institution more extensively Beneficial to Society at Large, that its effect will be to increase the number of scholars from the remote parts of the Yearly Meeting and will also have a tendency from evening the liberal and equalizing principles on which the General Committee are desirous to conduct the Institution, to unite the remote parts in an active Cooperation to promote its welfare and success. It will be seen that the committee have included within the application of this rule, only Dover, Hallowell & New Bedford Quarters. It was difficult to decide satisfactorily where to draw the line, but it appeared to them least objectionable as they have done it —

They are not however tenacious of their own views on this point but submit it to the General Committee - and in order to form a judgment of the quantum of allowance to be made we have made some inquiry into the actual expense incurred by those who have sent children here from the eastward the result of which induces us to propose an allowance of eight Cents per mile for each Scholar from his residence to this place provided they remain six months or upwards at the School
 Providence 2nd mo 7 - 1823

(Signed) William Almy
 John Osborn
 Rowland Gurne

which is accepted and approved and the clerk is directed to furnish those quarterly meetings with a copy of the Committee's report and of this minute information of Friends

Extracted from the minutes
 Arnold Congdon Clerk

The Treasurer of this meeting is directed to forward our proportion of yearly meeting stock to the yearly meetings Treasurers.

Our business being closed at this time, we propose to meet again at Berwick at the usual time in the 8th mo next.

John Brown Clerk

Quarterly Meeting held at Berwick
 8th mo 25th 1823. By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings, the representatives, by appointment are for Dover John Brown Sen^r Wam & Timothy Harssey. for Berwick - Elijah Neal, Joshua Jenkins, and Sam^l. Nichols. for Sandwich. Benjⁿ. Fry. Stephen Beider & Timothy Barney - who are all present. The Queries with the answers received from

our monthly meetings to the 1st Dec & 10th Decy. have been read at this time — Our beloved friend James Haysom attended this meeting, with a minute from Cornwall Monthly meeting held the 27th of 3rd month 1823. expressing their unity with him in his prospect, his company and labours in the Gospel, has been acceptable to us. the clerk is directed to endorse his minute, with the above minute, and sign the same on behalf of this meeting. The following Epistle from our last yearly meeting has been read, and is to our satisfaction, and encouragement. —

From our yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode Island for New England from the 1st to the 15th of the sixth month inclusive 1823
to the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings hitherto belonging
Dear Friends In entering upon the state of Society as exhibited to us in the answers to the Query a deep exercise has spread over our minds, and living desires are raised, that all under our profession may be engaged above all other considerations to seek aid in the spirit of their minds to the gift of Divine Grace mercifully vouchsafed to each and every one and wait for his heavenly visitation upon the soul whereby (as we are encouraged to believe) renewed qualification would be experienced for the discharge of our several religious duties. A deep sense of our dependence upon the gracious dispensing of these visitations, for preservation from the multiplied temptations and trials to which we are subject, ought to encourage and animate us in the discharge of the solemn duty of diligently attending our religious meetings and lead us when assembled together to the true resting place, the Rock of Ages. Humbly and reverently to wait upon

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The Lord for a renewal of that strength which
cometh from him alone - And may none among
us make it matter of convenience merely thus
to meet but with reverence and fear assemble our
selves together at our stated time of meetings
remembering that thereby we bear a noble testimony
of our belief in the great truths of the Gospel
and of devotion to its Cause -

May it be the earnest desire of every one to seek
after the unity of the spirit which is the bond
of peace and to receive the language of one of
our ancient Worthies - As we all profess the
Aid of God to be the author of our life and well
being it becomes us all to differ in nothing.

But every one to depart from that which tends
to evil - may we be especially careful in all of
our movements to do nothing which may tend
in any manner to lay waste or destroy the unity
of the body remembering that we are members one
of another and however in private judgment
we may scruple or have some doubts respecting
the propriety of any of its conclusions yet we believe
that peace of mind will be experienced in submitting
our own judgment - Indeed the very nature of
Society requiring this submission for such as the
frailty of our nature, such our liability to err
in judgment that we may well distrust our
selves and be concerned not to be found opposing
the wholesome order of the Church -
We are especially solicitous that in our public
Assemblies for divine worship there may nothing
appear tending to disunity or disorder but that
with all lowliness of mind we may be concerned
therein rightly to perform this interesting and
Solemn duty

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that may there not be a disposition in any to follow the
example of some to whom the Apostle was concerned to write
who said I am of Paul, and I of Apollos, and I of Cephas, and
I of Christ, but that the Apostle who Christ directed; was
Paul crucified for you: or were ye baptized in the name of him?
No dear Friends, he is one, and as we are concerned to come
unto him, with a willing mind; and wait upon him we
shall all be baptized into one body, and become members
of the true Church of which he is head —

It is painful to us to perceive that notwithstanding our
repeated endeavours, the use of Spirituous liquors is not
wholly confined to medicinal purposes, but that some still
in profession with us, make too common use of them, such
we are concerned to address, that they may yet more deeply
consider, the awful risk they are venturing — that they
may pause upon the brink of that precipice; from which
so many thousands of the human race have precipitated them-
selves, Are you aware dear Friends, how many of the
comforts and blessings even of this life you forgo by an indulgence
in this dangerous practice? are you aware how much
of much your respectability and usefulness among your
Fellow men you are sacrificing — We entreat you ponder
seriously upon these things and if yet you may escape
for your lives look not behind you look not upon
the wine when it is red when it giveth its colour
in the cup, for at the last it biteth like a serpent
and stinger like an adder. May we all be concerned
to labour together for the help of one another
and watch over one another for good and when
one is overtaken with a fault those who are spiritual
endeavour in meekness for his restoration —
But we entreat you let not any of our precious
testimonies sealed to us by the sufferings of our
worthy predecessor fall to the ground.

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Finally farewell. - Peace be to the brethren and love
with faith from God the Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ.

Singed by direction and on behalf of
Meeting aforesaid

Abraham Shearman Jr.
Clerk

Extracts from the report of the Boarding School
Committee - Received by the Yearly Meeting in the
sixth month 1823. The Yearly Meeting Boarding
School Committee Report That the School is
under the Government of the same superintendents
and teachers as at the time of our last Report -
The average number of scholars has been about
twenty Their general conduct and improvement
in learning have been such as to be satisfactory
and encouraging to the committee -
Meetings for worship have been kept up and
as far as appears in an acceptable manner -
The Committee again conclude to admit from
each monthly Meeting one scholar for six months
or two scholars three months each free of expense -

Sign'd on behalf of the Committee
Rowland Green
Alice Rathbone

Providence 2^d 5th mo 1823 -

The clerk is directed to furnish a copy of the above to
each of our monthly Meetings. It appears by an extract
from our last Yearly Meeting it is concluded to raise the
sum of Eight Hundred Dollars for the service of the Yearly
meeting of which this meeting proportion is Forty Dollars,
which is apportioned as usual, Dover M^c Meetings 20 Doll-
ars. Berwick 12 Dollars and Sandwich 8 Dollars -

The friends appointed to attend the Yearly meeting

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as. representatives inform they all attended, Rec^d. 68 of the
London General. Epistles of 1822, which are directed to be
forwarded to our monthly meetings

Our Business being clos^d at this time we conclude proposing
to met again at Dover at the usual time in the 10th month

John Brown Clerk

Dover Quarterly meeting held at Dover 23rd of Nov^r 1823.

Accounts from our Monthly Meetings being present
the representatives by appointment are for Dover
Richard Dams William Brown & Marble Astor, for
Borwick, Samuel Nichols and Joshua Mader, for Sandwich
Cyrus Bede, John Hoag Sr and Ben^y Fry. who are all present.
except Sam^l Nichols

The time having expired, for which the clerks were appointed
the representatives propose John Brown for clerk and
Jonathan Dams for an assistant clerk, they are accord-
ingly appointed to that service the year ensuing, —

The Queries with the answers received from our
monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd & 10th have been read at this
time — Our Business being clos^d at this time we conclude
proposing to met again at Sandwich at the usual time in the
1^{mo} next —

John Brown Clerk

Dover Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 1^{mo} 22nd 1824

Accounts from our Monthly meetings being present
the representatives therein appointed are for Dover
Jacob Varny Jr. Timothy Hanson and Moses Whittier
for Berwick Samuel Buffum Benjamin Buffum
and Jone Buffum for Sandwich Cyrus Bede
John Varny and Samuel Nowel who are all present
except Moses Whittier. The queries with the answers
received from our monthly meetings, to the 1st 2nd & 10th
were read at this time. Our Esteemed Friend
Elihu Hoag has been acceptably with us at this time

69 Our Business being closed at this time we concluded proposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 14th mo. Next — John Brown Clerk

At a Quarterly Meeting held at Dover 14th mo 22nd 1824
Accounts from our Monthly Meetings being present
the representatives therein, appointed are for Dover
Marble Osborne, Joseph Tuttle, and Richard Dams for
Berwick, Isaac Varnum Joseph Brackett and Joshua Jenkin
for Sandwich Ben^{ia} Fry, Joseph Varnum Jr. and John Hogg
who are all present except Isaac Varnum —

We have read the Queries, with the answers received
from our monthly meetings from which the following
Summary is prepared for the yearly meeting, next to be
held on Rhode Island, and we appoint Benjamin Fry,
Richard Dams, Joshua Mearns, & John Brown, representatives
to the aforesaid yearly meeting.

1st All our meetings are attended, yet there is a
neglect in many of our members more especially on
the middle of the week, and some care taken, the hour
generally observed, careful as to unbecoming behaviour
except some instances of sleeping in some at times —
2nd We believe Love and Unity are in a good deg-
-ree maintained by most friends, yet there are instan-
-ces, where it appears to be much wanting, We fear Petr-
-action, is not sufficiently guarded against by all.

Some care has been taken to end differences, tho not
so seasonably in some instances as quired after —

3rd Generally careful in these respects; though not
without some exceptions in regard to plumes and
being good examples, —

4th Mostly careful in these respects; except a few instances
of using spirituous liquors unnecessarily, and frequenting
places of public resort, and some care taken,

5th Generally careful in these respects —

6th Mostly careful

7th Most friends, are careful in their reports, yet there are a few instances of bearing arms, in which care is taken

8th We think friends are generally careful in their reports, yet not without some exceptions.

9th Generally tho, not wholly, careful in their reports.

10th Care taken to deal with offenders, in measure as guided after, tho not without delays in some instances. No cause of complaint appears as to placing Judgement, — — —

The Treasurer of this meeting is directed to forward our proportion of yearly meeting stock to the yearly meetings Treasurer —

Our Business being clos^d at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Berwick at the usual time in the next.

John Brown C. W. B.

Over Quarterly meeting held at Berwick 26th of 8th mo 1824.
Accounts from our Monthly Meetings being present, the representatives, by appointment are for Dover, Joseph Luttie, Timothy Hanson, and Reuben Varney. for Berwick James Hussey, Joseph Brackett, & Joshua Jenkins, — for Sandwich John Long, Dr. Benj^y Fry, & John Meader, who are all present. — Read the Queries with the answers, from our Monthly meetings, to the 1st, 2nd and 10th Query — —

Those appointed, to attend the yearly meeting, inform they all attended, This meeting unite, with Sandwich Monthly meeting in approving the public appearances in the Ministry of John Meader, the womens meeting concurring therewith, and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information.

Read and read the following extract from the last yearly meeting, also the report of the Boarding School Committee to the yearly meeting, in the 6th mo last. —

Extracts, from the minutes of our yearly Meeting of Friends held at Whitby for New England, in the 6th mo. 1824. The queries were read, with answers from our several Yearly Meetings, which bred a deep feeling of exercise over many minds, and led to the expression of a lively concern for the preservation of our various testimonies, in that feeling of disaffection from the spirit of the world, through the influence of the Truth, in which they originated. The deficiency manifest in the attendance of our religious Meetings was affecting to many; and a sympathetic ear towards Friends in remote situations and members of small meetings, was feelingly recommended to the attention of Monthly and Quarterly Meetings, as well as to individuals, who felt concerned for the promotion of the cause of Truth; and Friends in such situations, when unable from peculiar circumstance, to meet with their Brethren, for the interesting purpose of public Divine Worship, were encouraged to sit down in retirement, before the Lord in their own families; a state of watchfulness in Friends, when sitting in our meetings for business was also feelingly recommended: that they may want to know what is required at their hands, and to be enabled to move in that meekness of wisdom, which will give efficacy to their labours in promoting the Object of that Christian Discipline, which it is fully believed was established among us in the ordering of Divine Truth,

Faithfulness in the great duty of admonition, was urged upon the attention of Friends, whether standing in that relation towards their fellow members, which would seem to render it their more peculiar province, or as individuals who are brought to feel for the preservation of those who they apprehend, are stepping aside or falling short of that to which the Truth would lead with desires that such may attend to the sweet and gentle intimations of the Spirit of Christ in their own minds, pointing to such services, and seek for ability rightly to labour with others in the restoring Spirit of Love; and that should they meet with their peculiar trials and sufferings, they may remember that a blessing is attached to those who are found worthy to suffer for the cause of Truth, and thus be encouraged to hold on their way. The want of love and unity manifested, within our borders, at all times painful to the feeling mind, has been cause of exercise on the present occasion; and has given rise to a concern, that all the living members of the body, all who rightly feel for the preservation of that hedge, placed round about the Society, which in subserviency to the Spirit of Truth, it is believed has been a blessing to it, may be favored to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, and that becoming more and more baptized into the one body, they may become a joy and strength to one another. A solicitude was felt, that parents may seek for that qualification, that will enable them rightly to watch over the minds of their children; to guard them against the snares and temptations, the spirit, the maxims and fashions of the world; that they may avail themselves of Opportunities when their minds are tender and susceptible of impressions to plead with them, in the authority of restraining love; and that Children may blend with the feeling of filial regard, the fear of offending a religiously exercised parent, and the necessity of obedience to that principle implanted in their minds, the gentle intimations, of which are often felt at a very early age, and as given heed to will rescue from the snares of death, and enable us to say with one formerly, Should we attain to advanced life,

I have been young, and now am old, yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.
And that all of every class, who are rightly concerned, being kept alive in the South, and a feeling engagement of mind, for their own advancement in the path of self denial, the influence of their example, may become widely diffused and they "grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour;

From the minutes of the meeting of Friends, at Shrewsbury, 6th mo. 1824.
Report of the Boarding School Committee, presented to the Yearly Meeting in the 6th mo. 1824. The yearly meeting Boarding School Committee report, that they have continued their attention during the past year, to the concerns of the institution, placed under their care, and feel encouraged to believe that the reasonable expectations of Friends in regard to its usefulness to the children and youth of Society, will be measurably realized. Matthew and Betsy Hixton, the former Supervisors, having expressed a desire to be released, the committee have agreed with Enoch and Lydia Bond, to take charge of the school in that capacity. The same teachers are employed as at the time of our last report. The average number of children at the school has been about ninety. Their general conduct and improvement has been satisfactory to the committee. It is again concluded to admit from each Monthly meeting one child for six months, or two children three months each free of expense. Our late Friend Obadiah Brown, having bequeathed at the disposal of the Yearly Meeting, a liberal bequest to the institution, as appears by extracts from his Will, accompanying our last report, it has appeared to the Committee that most benefit would result to Society at large, from an appropriation of a portion of the fund to the defraying of a part of the expense of board and tuition. With this view, the Committee propose, that after the 1st of ymo next children may be admitted at the rate of sixteen Dollars per Quarter. On behalf of the Committee

Arnold Congdon

Mary A. Robinson.

Providence 7th of 5mo 1824

[At a meeting of the Boarding School Committee, held at Newport 18th of 6mo 1824, A. Shrewsbury was requested to forward with the extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting, copies of the foregoing report, with a note, that children who are Members of Society, will be admitted as above proposed at 16 D. per Quarter.]

It appears by the following minutes, from our Yearly Meeting on 6mo last, this meeting's proportion of Yearly Meeting's stock, is thirty five Dollars to be proportioned as usual -

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode Island for New-England in 6th mo. 1824. It is concluded to raise seven hundred Dollars for the service of the ensuing year, which our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to our Treasurer in the usual proportions - Every Quarterly Meeting's proportion is thirty five Dollars. From the Minutes of 5th Meeting

Our Business being closed at this time we
propose to meet again at Dover at the usual time viz
the 10th mo next John Brown CLK

The clerk is directed to forward copies of the sum to each of our monthly meetings. It appears by the following minute from our yearly meeting in the 6th mo last, This meetings proportion of yearly meetings' stock, is Thirty ^{five} Dollars to be proportioned as usual. —

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends
Held on Rhode Island for New England in 6th mo 1824 —

It is concluded to raise Seven hundred Dollars for the Service of the ensuing year, which our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to our Treasurer, in the usual proportion, Each Quarterly Meeting's proportion is thirty five Dollars. From the minutes of said Meeting,

Wm. Sherman Treas. Clerk. —

Our Business being closed at this time, we propose to meet again at Dover, at the usual time in the 10th mo next.

John Brown Clerk —

Over Quarterly meeting held 10th mo. 28th 1824 —
Accounts from our monthly meetings being present. the representatives, therein appointed are for Dover, William Brown, Marble Osborne, & Festus Varney, for Berwick, Joshua Meador, Joseph Brackett, and Joshua Jenkins, for Sandwich John Meador Joshua Hoag and John Hoag, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed, the representatives propose, John Brown for clerk and Jos^{ph} Saml for an assistant clerk, they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year. The Queries were read with the answers received from our Monthly Meetings, to the 1st 2nd and 10th Query — This meetings unites with Berwick monthly Meeting in the appointment of Sibel Jenkins to the Station of an Elder, the Womens Meeting concurring therewith and the clerk is directed to give the necessary information. The London Yearly meeting Epistle of the present Year was read in this Meeting to our Satisfaction.

And two hundred copies of the same being secured are directed to be distributed to our several monthly meetings
 Our Business being closed at this time, we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 1st mo Next.

John Brown Clerk

Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 27th of 1st mo 1823
 Accounts from our monthly meetings being present the representatives therein appointed are for
 Dover Eli Varny for Dover & Timothy Hanson for Benwick John Buffum - Andrew Austin & Jonathan Buffum for Sandwich Timothy Varny John Hoag & Ezra Meade who are present -

The Minutes were read, with the answers received from our monthly meeting to the 1st 2nd and 10th July -
 Our Beloved friend Abij Neene, attended this meeting with a minute from Salem Monthly held the 13th the present month expressing of their unity with his prospect whose company and Gospel labours have been acceptably the substance of this is endorsed on the aforesaid minute and signed by direction of this meeting. Our Business being closed we conclude proposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th mo Next

John Brown Clerk

Quarterly Meeting held at Dover 4th mo 28th 1825
 Accounts from our monthly meetings being present the representatives, by appointment for Dover, Samuel Varny, Schuyler Evans and Stephen Sawyer for Benwick Joseph Brackett Asa Allen and Joshua Meade for Sandwich Benja Dy John Hoag & and John Meade who are all present, read the queries with the answers received from our monthly meeting.

from which the following summary is prepared
for the Yearly Meetings to be held on Rhode Island
in the 5th mo. and we appoint representatives
Theodore Ben- Ely Joshua Meader Samuel Buffam
to Joshua Hoag —

Ans 1st All our meetings are attended yet many are
deficient in the attendance thereof, more particularly
those in the middle of the week, and for discipline, & some
care taken; the hour generally observed by those who attend
clear of unbecoming behavior, except some instances of sleeping

2^d We believe love & unity are in a good degree maintained
amongst us, yet much wanting in some instances; distraction
generally guarded against by most; some care has been
taken to end differences —

3^d We believe there is a concern with many friends to
bring up those under their direction in plainness, yet others are
deficient herein, as also in regard to being good examples themselves —
4th Mostly careful in the several particulars of this query,
with the exception of some few instances of the improper use
of spirituous liquor and frequenting places of public resort and
some care taken —

5th Careful in these respects —

6th We believe friends are generally careful in these respects —

7th Careful in these respects, except a few instances of
bearing arms. which are under notice — — —

8th Generally careful in these respects. —

9th Generally careful herein, yet some neglect in suborning
and a few instances of removing without certificates and
care taken —

10th Some care taken to deal with offenders, tho' not
without delays in some instances, no complaint as to placing
judgement — Our Treasurer is directed to forward our
proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Yearly meeting treasure

Our Business being closed at this time we conclude proposing
to meet again at Berwick at the usual time in 8^{mo}. Next L. Brown Clerk

Dover Quarterly meeting held at Berwick Decr 25th 1825
 Accounts from our monthly meetings being present the
 representatives by appointment are for Dover Peck Learn.
 Eli Varney, John Brown & Isaac Wendts, for Berwick Stephen
 Jenkins, John Buffum & Joseph Brackett, for Sandwich Ezra
 Thayer, Cyrus Bader & Samuel Ansel, who are all present.

Read the Queries, with the answers received from our
 monthly meetings to the 1st, 2nd & 10th Query - -

Our Esteemed friends, John Wilber from Rhode Island,
 Moses H. Bader, from Vermont, and James Hargrave, from
 New York, attended this meeting, with minutes from their
 respective monthly meetings, expressing of the unity of
 their friends, in their prospect, their company & services
 have been acceptable. Also our Esteemed friend Huldah
 Keog, attended this meeting with a certificate from Ferrisburgh
 monthly meeting, held 28th of 1st mo. endorsed by Ferrisburgh
 Quarterly meeting held 6th of 5^{mo} 1824, her company and
 Religious engagements have been acceptable. Also
 our Esteemed friends John Knowls, and Mable Austin,
 with minutes from Ferrisburgh monthly meeting held 4th of 1st mo.
 1825, are acceptably with us, at this time - those appointed
 to attend the Yearly meeting, report their attendance;

Received fifteen copies of the following extracts
 and minutes from the report of the Boarding School
 Committee, one of which has been read at the time,

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends. held on
 Rhode Island for New England, from the 12th to the 16th
 of 6^{mo}. 1825 -

The Report of the Boarding School Committee being
 read and considered, is approved; and such parts thereof
 as it appears necessary to lay before our Quarterly & Monthly
 meetings, with the Minutes annexed to the report, are
 directed to be transcribed by the clerk and forwarded -

26 to them for the future Government of Friends
in sending children to the School -

From the minutes of said Meeting

Abraham Shearman Jun. Clerk

Extracts from the report of the Boarding School Com-
- mittee presented to the Yearly Meeting 6th Mo 1825

The Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee report

That they have given attention during the past year
to the concerns of the Institution and feel a degree
of satisfaction in being enabled to state that the
prospect of its usefulness to the children and youth
of the Society continuing to be encouraging -

The school is continued under the Charge of
Enoch and Lydia Budd as Superintendants and
Isaiah Jones David Daniels, Samuel B. Soley
Abigail Price O. May Bedee and Sarah East -
as instructors. The average number of scholars for the
Year past has been one hundred and three. The
receipts for Board and tuition with the income
of the fund continue to meet the expending -

It is concluded again to admit one child for each
Monthly Meeting for six months or two children
three months each free of expense provided their
term be accomplished within the year exceeding
the Yearly Meeting the number of Children at the
School had so increased at the commencement
of the present Year that the Committee thought
it necessary for their convenient and healthful
accommodation and that of the family that
the building should be enlarged by an addition
of about forty feet square to each wing and as
it appeared desirable that the work should
be commenced previous to the time of the
Yearly Meeting they with the advice of the

of the Meeting for sufferings have contracted to have such additions made, and they are now in progress. It is concluded by the Committee that children of this Yearly Meeting who are members of Society continue to be received, for the present at sixteen dollars per quarter and those who are children or Grand children of members of our society or under the care of friends of this Yearly Meeting (when the circumstance of the school permit of their being received) be admitted at twenty dollars per quarter; and that should it be thought best hereafter to admit any others, that they be received at twenty-five dollars per quarter - The Committee propose should it meet the approbation of the Yearly Meeting, that the annexed minutes be forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings for their government in sending children to the school

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Wm Jenkins

Providence 5th mo 6th 1825 Alice Rathbone

Minutes of the Boarding School Committee.

Approved by the Yearly Meeting, 4th mo 1828

The School Committee in the discharge of the important trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, have found it necessary from time to time, to recur to the great object, which the Yearly Meeting itself, as well as the Friends who have contributed to the funds of the Institution, have had in view in the establishment of the School, and which they think cannot be better expressed than in the language which accompanied the bequest of one of its early friends and most liberal benefactors; that our children & youth "may receive a religious & guardian education, free from the contaminating influence of the vain fashionable world, which leads young minds from the simplicity of

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the truth, and that meek and quiet spirit exhibited by our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, whom we profess to follow."

It was in accordance with such views, that the Committee were induced, in the 2nd month 1819, soon after the school was in operation, to forward the following minute to the several monthly meetings, and which in 1821, was again sent down under the sanction of the yearly Meeting, viz:
"It has appeared necessary, from experience derived, since the opening of the Institution, that more general circumspection should be extended in sending children to the schools conformable to the recommendation in the printed circular of the 12th mo last. And to preserve the order necessary to carry the object of the yearly Meeting into more complete effect, it is recommended that each Monthly Meeting appoint a few suitable friends to whom application may be made by Parents or Guardians of children who are desirous of placing them at the school; that the Friends so appointed consider it their duty not only to enjoin that the children come in a plain dress, and in the use of the plain scripture language but that they are of good habits; and that they give a few lines to that effect, for the information of the Superintendants and Instructors at the School—

The Committee now feel it to be their duty to recommend to the Monthly meetings a greater extension of care to their object, and that the appointment of such Committee be revised by them, to act in connection with the members of this Committee, if any, who may reside within the limits of each Monthly Meeting.

And as children have in several instances, been brought to the School without any recommendation or minute from the committees of the Monthly Meetings, and through an unwillingness to subject their Parents or others to inconvenience, have been admitted, notwithstanding: It is now concluded,

after deliberately considering the subject, and with the preservation of right order and the good of the Institution solely in view, that after a reasonable time for the circulation of this conclusion, the Superintendants be instructed not to receive any Children without such certificate—

In all cases of doubtful nature that may come before them, the Committee of the Monthly Meetings are requested to make application by letter addressed to the Superintendent, to the acting Committee of the Institution, which meets at the School House in Providence on the third day after the last fifth day in each month,

As a further means of promoting simplicity of manners and appearance among the Children, and to prevent the injurious effects of a contrary example, the Superintendants are authorized to direct, that such apparel as the Children bring with them, that is deemed inconsistent with the plainness, that truth leads into, be laid aside during their residence at the School, or the necessary alterations made, and the expense charged.

It appears by the following minute from our yearly meeting, in the 6th last, this Meetings proportion of yearly meetings Stock is Twenty five Dollars, which the Clerk is directed to apportion as usual

“At our Yearly Meeting of Friends held on Rhode Island for New England 1st mo 1825”

It is concluded to raise five hundred Dollars for the service of the coming year which our several Quarterly meetings meetings are requested to forward to our Treasurer in the usual proportion, Dover Quarterly meetings proportion is twenty five Dollars,
From the Minutes of 2^d Meeting

Abm Shearman Jr. Clk—

our Business being clos^d at this time, we conclude proposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 10th next—

John Brown Clk

At a Quarterly meeting held at Dover 10^{mo} 27th 1825—
received accounts from our Monthly meetings. the
representatives, by appointment are for Dover John
Brown, Joseph Pinkham, and Joshua Varney, for Benwick
Joseph Brackett and Joshua Jenkins, for Sandwich Ben^y Fry.
Joshua Solson & Joshua Tacey, who are all present except
Fertus Varney — The time having expired for which the
Clerk, was appointed the representatives propose John Brown
for Clerk, and Jon^a Dorn for an assistant Clerk they are
accordingly appointed for that service the year ensuing—
Read the Minutes, with the answers received from our Monthly
meetings, to the 1st 2nd & 10th Query.—

Our esteemed friend John Meader, presented to this me-
eting a certificate from Sandwich Monthly meeting held
10^{mo} 20th 1825. expressing their unity, with him in his prospect
of making a religious visit to friends and others within
the limits of Ferrisburgh, and some parts of Saratoga.
Quarterly Meeting, which is united with and the Clerk
is directed to extract said certificate and sign the same on
behalf of this meeting. Moses Whittier having appealed
to this meeting from the judgement of Dover Monthly
Meeting in the 9^{mo} last, and said meeting having appointed
a committee to answer said appeal to this meeting, we
appoint, Joshua Jenkins, Joshua Tacey, Joseph Varney &
Joseph Brackett & Samuel Buffum, to hear the parties
in said case, and report their sense thereon to next
meeting; The Clerk is directed to extract the substance
of the minutes of our Quarterly Meeting in the 8^{mo} last
in favour of our friends, James Hazzard, John Wilder and
Moses W. Bude, and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Our Business being closed at this time, we conclude
preparing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual
time in the 1st mo next.

John Brown Clerk—

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Quarterly meeting held at Sandwich the 26th
of 1st mo 1826 By accounts received from our monthly
meetings the representatives are for Dover, Diet and Paine,
Eli Varney & Timothy Hanson, for Berwick, Samuel Buffum
John J. Lang and John Buffum, for Sandwich, Cyrus Bode
extra Meader and Paul Varney, who are all present

Read the Queries and the answers received from our
monthly meetings — The committee in the case of the
appeal of Moses Whittier, inform that they have had
an opportunity, with the parties, but not being
ready to report, they are continued, —

Our business being closed we adjourn to the
time appointed in the 1st mo next then to meet at Dover

A Quarterly Meeting held at Dover 4th mo 27th 1826 —

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings the repre-
sentatives are of Dover Joseph Tuttle John Brown &
Reuben Varney for Berwick Andrew Austin, Joseph Brackett
and John Buffum for Sandwich Benjamin Fry —
Cyrus Bode and Joshua Hecox who are all present —

Read the queries ^{and the} answers received from our Monthly
Meetings from which the following summary is prepared
for the Yearly Meeting Next to be held on Rhode Island
and we appoint Joshua Meader, Richard Paine
Samuel Buffum & Timothy Hanson representatives to
attend the aforesaid Yearly Meeting —

1st Our meetings are generally attended by the greater part
of Friends yet there are much neglected by many especially
those on the middle of the week and some care taken
the hour generally observed yet they appear some deficiency
in that respect — Some instances of sleeping yet most
friends are preserved therefrom Mostly clear of other
unbecoming behaviour And 2nd Love and unity are in a
good degree maintained among most friends yet

Much wanting in some instances, debraction generally guarded against by most. yet some are too much in the practice thereof care is taken to end difference. Am^{3rd} We believe most friends are careful in regard to plainness and being good examples yet some are deficient in these respects we know of no pernicious Books among us we believe the scriptures are read in Friends families 4th No cause of complaint appears in the several particulars of this query except a too frequent use of Spirituous Liquors by some - 5th Clear as far as appears -

6th Generally careful in this respect - except a few instances of marrying out in which care is taken

7th Clear as far as appears excepts two instances of bearing arms and some care taken -

8th Most friends are in a good degree careful in these respects yet there are some exceptions and some care taken. 9th Mostly careful as to recording Several instances of removal without certificates Mostly under notice -

10th Some care has been taken to deal with offenders though not without delays in some instances Judgment has been placed where it appeared necessary -

The committee in the case of Moses Whittier appeal have made the following report,

" To the Quarterly Meeting -

Pursuant to appointment we have attended to the subject of the appeal of Moses Whittier, against the judgement of Dover, Monthly Meeting in his case, and it is our opinion after duly examining the proceedings of said Meeting and hearing the parties concerned, that the judgement of said Dover Monthly Meeting ought to be confirmed which we submit.

Dover 4th Mo 27th 1826

Samuel Buffum } Joseph Varnum &
Joshua Perkins } Joshua Hoag-

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which after deliberation & consideration is accepted, and the
judgement of Dover monthly meeting accordingly confirmed.
And the said Moss Wheller informing this meeting that he
appears from the decision of this meeting to our next
Yearly Meeting we appoint Richard Cham. Joshua
Meador & Samuel Buffum to answer to said appeal
on behalf of this Meeting. It appears that Zachary Bowen
& Barnabas Taber his companion have attended most
of the Meeting within the limits of this Quarterly
Meeting to good satisfaction and the Clerk is directed
to inform Sidney & Vassalborough Monthly Meeting
thereof by copies of this Minute — —
The treasurer of this Meeting is directed to forward
our proportion of Yearly Stock to the Yearly Meeting
treasurer; our Business being closed at this time we
conclude. Proposing to meet again at the usual time
at Benwick in the 8th mo. Next — John Brown Clerk

At Dover Quarterly meeting held at Benwick 8mo 24th
1826 By accounts received from our Monthly meetings
the representatives are for Dover, Nathaniel Meador
Nathaniel Leames & John Brown, for Benwick, William Tappan
Andrew Austin and Jonathan Buffum, for Sandwich John
Varney, Ezra Meador and Stephen Bode, who an appointment,
Joseph Hoag attended this meeting with a certificate
from Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting whose company
and services were acceptable. Moses H. Bode attended
this Meeting with a certificate from Ferrisburg Monthly
Meetings endorsed by Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting
whose company and services were acceptable — —
Read the Minutes, and answers rec^d from our Monthly
Monthly Meeting to 1st & 2nd & 10th Query — the friends
appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting inform
they all attended —

Received the following extract from our last Yearly Meeting respecting the appeal of Moses Whittier a copy of which is directed to be forwarded to Dover Monthly Meeting -

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode Island in 6th Month 1826

The Committee appointed on the case of Appeal from Dover Quarterly Meetings made the following Report - viz -
" Your Committee appointed on the subject of an appeal by Moses Whittier from the judgment of Dover Quarterly Meeting in their confirmation of (the Judgment of) Dover Monthly Meeting have had an interview with the party and have given them a full hearing on the subject and are of opinion from the view we have taken of the case that the Judgment of Dover Quarterly Meeting be confirmed

On 14. 1826 Signed by all the Committee
Which is accepted and the decision of Dover Quarterly Meeting confirmed and as the appellant is not now present the Clerk is directed to forward him a Copy of this Minute and also furnish a copy to Dover Quarterly Meeting

From the Minutes of said Meeting
Abner Shearman Sec. Clerk -

Received and read the report of our Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee in the 5th month last Copies of which the clerk is directed to forward, each of our Monthly Meetings;

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends, held on Rhode Island, for New England, in the 6th Mo, 1826, The following Report of the Boarding School Committee being read and considered, is acceptable to the Meeting; and the Clerk is directed to forward copies, three of to our Quarterly Meetings, that it may be transmitted through them to the several Monthly Meetings, From the Minutes of said Meeting A. Shearman Sec. Clerk -

The Yearly Meeting Boarding School Committee report, that they have given their attention to the concerns of the Institution, through the past year, and feel a satisfaction in being able to state their belief, that its usefulness to Society continues to increase. -

The School is under the charge of Enoch and Lydia Beed as Superintendents; and Sarah Sony David Family, George Sony Abigail Price, Sarah Earle and Mary Sony as Teachers. Meetings for worship have been regularly continued and the family has been preserved in harmony. The average number of scholars for the past year has been one hundred and ten. The receipts for Board and tuition together with the income of the fund have proved equal to the expenditures. —

It is again concluded to admit one child from each Monthly Meeting, six month, or two children three months each, free of expense; provided their term be accomplished within the year succeeding the yearly meeting. The terms of admission of children the same as the last year.

The accounts of the Treasurer of the school fund has been exhibited and audited. The additions to the wings of the School House, as contemplated in our Report of last year, have been completed the expense of which, together with the necessary improvements in the old part of the house amounts in the whole to eight thousand eight hundred and thirty-five dollars and fifty-nine cents. Of this sum seven thousand four hundred and eighty-four dollars and eighteen cents has been collected of this disposable fund and paid leaving a balance of thirteen hundred and fifty-one dollars and forty-one cents now due; to liquidate which there remains of the disposable fund, uncollected two thousand and fifty-two dollars and seventy-five cents —

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The average number of Scholars for the last five months having been one hundred and thirty-six a much larger number than at any former period, experience has proved that the additions were necessary for a suitable accommodation and comfort of the Scholars and family

Signed on behalf of the Committee

5th of 5mo 1826

Moses Brown

Mary B. Allen

It appears by the following extract from our last yearly meeting, that the meeting proportion of yearly meeting stock is thirty Dollars, which is directed to be apportioned as usual—

Our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held on Rhode Island, in 5mo 1826

It is concluded to raise, Six hundred Dollars for the service of the ensuing year; which our several Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to our Treasurer in the usual proportions.— Dover Quarterly Meeting's proportion is thirty Dollars, On behalf of said Meeting,

Wm^m Wharman Clerk—

Received one Hundred & Eighty of the London Yearly meeting Epistles of 1825, which are directed to be distributed Among the Members of this meeting by our Monthly Meetings—

Our Business being closed at this time, we conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at Dover in the 10mo next

John Brown CLK—

At Dover Quarterly Meeting held 10mo 26th 1826
By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings,
the representations are for Dover William Brown
Sara Wendell & Tobias Evans for Bowick

Isaac Varney, Andrew Austin & Joshua Meade for
Sandwich John Meade, Joseph Varney & Paul
Scrimm, who are all present - The term having expired
for which the Clerk here appointed the representatives
before - John Brown for Clerk & Jonathan Brown
for an assistant Clerk they are accordingly appointed
to that service the ensuing year -

Read the queries, and answers received from our Monthly
Meeting to the first Second & 10th Query -

Our Esteemed friend Mary B. Allen attended this Meeting
with a minute from Smithfield Monthly Meeting held
9mo 28th 1826 expressing their unity in her prospect
her company and services were acceptable -

Our Business being closed at this time, we conclude
proposing to meet again at the usual time at
Sandwich in the first month next -

Next Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich 25th of 1mo 1827
By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings the
representatives are for Dover Richard Dime
Eli Varney & Timothy Hanson for Berwick Joshua
Meade & John S. Lang for Sandwich Jonathan Brown
Timothy Varney and William Haseltine who are all
present except Timothy Hanson. The queries were read
in this Meeting with answers received from our
Monthly Meetings to the 1st 2nd & 10th -

The following certificate in favour of Mary B Allen
was prepared and directed to be forwarded -

To Smithfield Monthly Meeting of Friends
Mary B Allen attended our Next Quarterly
Meeting in 10mo with a copy of a minute from
your Meeting she also attended some other
Meetings within the limits of this her company and
services were acceptable Sign on behalf of Dover Quarterly

Meeting held at Sandwich the 25th of Nov. 1827 -

Our friend Martha Meader opened in this meeting a prospect of making a religious visit to Friends and others within the limits of Barnstable Quarterly Meeting which being united with she was left at liberty to pursue the same and an endorsement was made on a Certificate granted her by Sandwich Monthly Meeting Adjourned to the time appointed in the 4th month next -

John Brown clk

At Dover Quarterly meeting held 4mo 26th 1827.

By accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives, are for Dover. Samuel Varny, Joseph Tuttle & William Brown, for Berwick, Stephen Jenkins, Joshua Meader and John DeLong, for Sandwich, John Meader, John Hoag and Benjamin Fry, who are all present except John Hoag.

read the Queries, with the answers, received from our monthly meetings, from which the following summary is prepared for the yearly meeting to be held on Rhode Island in the 6th month and we appoint Joshua Meader, Joseph Tuttle, Eli Varny, and Asa Arnold and Joshua Jenkins representatives to attend the aforesaid meeting -

William Osborne is appointed Treasurer for this meeting the year ensuing -

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the yearly meetings treasurer -

"Ans. All our meetings are attended and some of them by the greater part of Friends, yet there appears with a considerable number of our members a want of a right concern to attend our meetings, and more particularly on the middle of the week and some care taken - the hour generally observed, mostly preserved from unbecoming behaviour, except some instances of sleeping.

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" Ans 2^d. We believe there is a good degree of love and unity maintained among the greater part of friends, alth^o wanting in some instances and care taken, Detraction guarded against by most, Care has been taken to end differences.

" Ans 3. We think there is a good degree of care in many of our members to bring up their families in plainness and to restrain them from reading pernicious books and from corrupt conversation - but there are some instances where it appears to be much wanting. the Holy Scriptures are read in friends families —

" Ans 4. We believe friends are generally careful in the several particulars of this query, excepting some instances of using spirituous liquors unnecessarily and frequenting places of public resort and some care taken —

" Ans 5th Clear as far as appears

" Ans 6th Clear as far as appears except a few instances mostly under notice —

" Ans 7th Careful in these respects —

" Ans 8th In a good measure careful in these particulars yet with some exceptions.

" Ans 9th Mostly careful in these respects —

" Ans 10 Care has been taken to deal with offenders in measure as required after - No complaint as to tolerating judgment

Our Business being clos^d at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at Berwick in the 8^{mo} Next -

John Brown Clerk

1827.

At Dover Quarterly Meeting held at Berwick 8mo. 25th 1827
 By accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives are for Dover, Nath^l Meader, Nath^l Lamos & John Brown
 for Berwick, William Jepson, Andrew Austin, & Donathas
 Buffum, for Sandwich, John Varny, Ezra Meader & Stephen
 Bude, who are all present.

Dover Quarterly meeting held at Berwick 8mo.
 23rd 1827. By accounts received from our
 monthly meetings, the representatives, are for Dover,
 William Brown, Joseph Tuttle, and Timothy Hensons
 for Berwick Jedediah Estes, John Fry and Andrew Austin
 for Sandwich, John Meader, John Hoag and Timothy
 Varny, who are all present. —

Our esteemed friend Thomas Shelletoe, attended
 this meeting this meeting with a certificate from
 Hitching Monthly meeting dated the 13th of the 3mo
 1826, Endorsed by Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire
 Quarterly meetings held at Hertfordshire the 22nd of 5mo
 1826. Also a certificate from the yearly meeting of
 ministers and Elders, held in London the 22nd
 and the 23rd of the 5mo and the 2nd of the 6mo 1826—
 expressive of the sympathy and unity of his friends
 in his prospect. His company and Gospel Labours,
 have been acceptable and edifying to us —

read the Queries with the answers, received from our
 monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd & 10th Query. —

The following Epistle from our Yearly Meeting held in
 the 6mo last has been read in this meeting, to our
 satisfaction and encouragement, a copy of which is directed
 to be forwarded to each of our monthly meetings —

Read and read the following report of the Yearly Meeting
 Boarding school committee of the 5mo last, Copies of
 which are directed to be forwarded to each of our
 monthly meetings —

It appears, by the following extract, that this meeting's apportionment of yearly meetings stock is thirty dollars, which the Clerk is directed to apportion as usual -

Those appointed to attend our last yearly meeting inform they all attended except one, for whose absence satisfactory reasons was given - Our Esteemed friend John Meader laid before this meeting his prospect of making a religious visit to Friends and others in some parts of Ferrisburgh Quarterly meeting, which claiming the sympathy of Friends is united with by this, and also by the women's meeting, the Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of this minute on his Certificate from Sandwich Monthly meeting, and sign the same on behalf of this meeting

From our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held on Rhode Island in the time 1827 -

To our Several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

Dear Friends -

In contemplating the state of Society in the answers to the Queries, a deep exercise was spread over this meeting, on account of the many deficiencies in the support of our various testimonies, which they brought to view, and gave rise to much pertinent and feeling counsel and advice, and to the expression of an ardent desire for the removal of things which stand in the way of our advancement as a highly professing people; and it was thought right that an endeavour should be made to convey to our absent Brethren, such an account of these and other exercises as Friends have been diffused into at this season, as might lead them to participate therein, and have a tendency to strengthen and encourage the hands of the well concerned, to renewed labour in their respective allotments and to awaken the careless and bring to a sense of their danger,

We have on this as on former occasion, been sorrowfully affected to observe the great neglect of our religious meetings, and particularly those held in the middle of the week which is apparent in many of our

Members, and we would affectionately inquire of such as thus refuse to dedicate to this "reasonable service" a small portion of that time, for which they are indebted to the continuous mercy of their heavenly Father, by presenting their bodies a living sacrifice holy, acceptable unto him and to wait upon him for the removal of their strength, — how they can ever expect to advance in the Christian path of self-denial; or when they are called upon to give an account of their Stewardship, when time to them is no longer allotted in a state of probation, to lay down their heads in peace?

A more frequent perusal of the Holy Scriptures, and a frequent and reverent reading of them in our families, in a collective capacity, looking to Him for instruction, through whose inspiration they were given forth, was also feelingly recommended to us, and a lively testimony borne to the efficacy of this practice in rightly sustaining and centering the mind during the various accusations and trials of the day. Much exercise was felt on account of the dissemination and perusal of the pernicious and baneful publications of the present time which we believe cannot be more impressively conveyed to our absent Brethren than in the language of the Discipline of this Party, stating. — We "earnestly exhort all
 "Parents, Heads of families and guardians of minors, that they
 "present as much as in them lies their children and others
 "under their care and tuition from having, and reading
 "books and papers tending to prejudice the profession of the
 "Christian religion, to create the least doubt concerning the
 "authenticity of the Holy Scriptures, or of those saving truths
 "declared in them, lest their infant & feeble minds should
 "be poisoned thereby and a foundation laid for the greatest
 "evils" — And Parents are desired to be careful in the choice
 "of all books in which their children and families read, seeing
 "there are many under the specious titles of promoting religion and
 "morality, which contain sentiments repugnant to the truth in
 "Christ Jesus" —

And as nearly connected with this interesting Subject the more guarded education of the children and youth of the Society was feelingly recommended to our consideration; that their tender and susceptible minds may be preserved from the contaminating influence of improper examples and associates, not only leading them off from the simplicity of the Truth, and a submission to the cross in dress and address, and from a support of our testimonies against the vain amusements of the world, but in many instances opening the way for improper connections in marriage — And a fervent desire was expressed, that parents and others intrusted with the care of youth, may more and more become sensible of the great responsibility of the charge committed to them, and labour after a right qualification to discharge it, as in the sight of him to whom they must give an account. —

We have at this time as at other times been painfully affected by the consideration, that some of our members continue to indulge themselves in the improper use of ardent spirits; a practice peculiarly reprehensible to us, who profess in this respect to hold up a standard to others; and particularly so at a time when the Subject has engaged the attention of other religious Societies, who are making uncommon efforts to discountenance this great evil; and we entreat also our members not to relax in their endeavours to maintain our testimony herein. — We have renewedly been made sensible,

that a deeper individual engagement of mind, a more fervent labour for that bread which perisheth not, is too much wanting among us; but we have been encouraged by the belief, that there are those still remaining in the various classes of our Society the aged the middle aged, and the youth in whom a heartfelt exercise for their own preservation, and for the promotion of the cause of Truth is livingly maintained, and as they continue to look to the giver of every good and perfect gift for wisdom and guidance in their various concerns,

We are made thankful in ~~the~~ believing that a blessing will attend their efforts for the removal of baneful things from within our borders. —

A more particular attention to answering the Queries in a full and explicit manner, as directed by the Discipline is recommended to and enjoined upon all our subordinate Meetings.

Signed on behalf and by direction
of said Meeting

Abm. Sherman Jr. Clerk. —

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England,
held on Rhode Island, in the 6th mo. 1827.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee being read and considered, is approved, and the Clerk is directed to forward copies thereof to our Quarterly ^{meeting}, that it may be transmitted by them to the several Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said meeting.

Abraham Sherman Jr. Clerk

The Yearly meeting Boarding School committee report: That they have given their attention to the concerns of the Institution, during the past year, and it is satisfactory to them to be able to state to the Yearly Meeting, that it continues to afford an encouraging prospect of usefulness to the Society. The School is still under the charge of Enoch and Lydia Breed, as Superintendents. Isaac L. Jones, David Leavitt, George Jones, Hiram Rice, and Mary Abing, are employed as Teachers. The average number of scholars, for the year past, has been one hundred and ten. Meetings for worship have been regularly held, and have frequently been attended by some of the committee.

The family has been pursued in harmony, and the general conduct of improvement of the children have been satisfactory.

The account of the Treasurer of the School Fund has been received and audited. The receipts for board and tuition, together with the income of the fund, have proved about equals to the expenditures. It is again concluded to admit one child from each Monthly Meeting, six months, or two children three months each, free of expense, provided this can be accomplished within the year succeeding the Yearly Meeting.

The Yearly Meeting having received the additional sum of fifty thousand dollars, the annual income of which was bequeathed for the benefit of this Institution, by our late friend Obadiah Brown, we have concluded to propose to the Yearly Meeting, that children who are members of this Yearly Meeting, be admitted after the first of Seventh Month next, at fourteen dollars per quarter; and that the Committee consider such surplus as may remain to be at their disposal in aid of the Charitable Fund of the Institution, having a prudent regard to the present and probable general expenses thereof.

We are desirous that it may be generally understood, and particularly by the Committees of Monthly Meetings, that all applications for the admissions of children, who are not members of our Society, must be made to the Acting Committee, at Providence; and that all applications for the admission of boys, who are members, is over the age of fourteen years, must be made to the same Committee. (which meet at the school-house, in Providence, on the third day following the last fifth day in each month)

We feel it to be our duty, again to recommend to the attention of parents and others having the care of children, and to the Committees of Monthly Meetings, the previous address of this Committee on the interesting subject of Slavery,

and particularly the Minutes accompanying our Report in 1828, which were printed and distributed by direction of the yearly Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

Moses Brown,

Providence, 5th Dec 1827

Mary A Robinson,

Our Business being clos^d at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time in the 10^{mo} next.

John Brown Clerk

Our Quarterly meeting held at Dover the 25th of 10^{mo} 1827

By accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives are for Dover, Stephen Sawyer, Timothy Hanson and Samuel Varney, for Berwick, Joshua Maden and James Hussey, for Sandwich Egens Budge, John Hoag & Ben^y Fry, who are all present—

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed the representatives propose John Brown for Clerk and Jonathan Darnie for an assistant Clerk they are accordingly appointed to that service for one year— read the Queries, with the answers received from our monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd and 10th Query— Our Esteemed Friend Avis Keen attended this meeting, with a minute from Salem monthly meeting, held at Salem 11th of 10^{mo} 1827. Her company and labours in the Ministry have been acceptable, the Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of this on the aforesaid Minute and sign the same on behalf of this meeting. A Testimony or memorial from Dover Monthly Meeting concerning our deceased friend Marble Osborne, has been read and approved by this and the Womens Meeting. The Clerk is directed to forward the same to the meeting for sufferings, together with a copy of this minute—

Our Business being clos^d at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 1st mo. next

John Brown Clerk

At Dover Quarterly meeting held at Sandwich the 25th
of 1st mo. 1828 — By accounts received from our several
monthly meetings the representatives are for Dover Eli Varney,
for Berwick Joshua Meader and John Buffum for Sandwich
Timothy Varney, John Hoag and Jon^a. Beade who are all
present — The Queries were read in this meeting and
answers received from our monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd and
10th Query. — This meeting unites with Sandwich monthly
meeting, (the Womens meeting concurring therein) in approving
of the publick appearances in the Ministry of Ezra Meader
and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary informa-
tion

Our business being closed we adjourn to the time
appointed in the 4th mo. next then to meet at Dover —

John Brown Clerk

At our Quarterly meeting held at Dover
4th mo 24th 1828 — By accounts received
from our Monthly meetings the representatives
are for Dover, Tobias Evans, Nath^l Lamos & Joseph
Tuttle, for Berwick, Joseph Brackett, John D Bang,
& Aza Allen, for Sandwich John Hoag, Noah
Varney, & Benj^a. Fry, who are all present, except
Noah Varney — read the Queries, and answers
received from our several monthly meetings, a Summary
of which is directed to be forwarded to our ensuing
yearly meeting, and we appoint representatives
there to, John Hoag, Joshua Meader, Eli Varney,
Joseph Brackett and Ory Thompson —

One fifty coppers of the London yearly meeting
Epistles of 1827 which are directed to be distributed
among our members, one of which has been read
at this time, to our satisfaction and encouragement.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of yearly meeting Stock to the yearly meetings Treasurer.

General Answers -

- 1st All our meetings are attended and some of them by the greater part of Friends, yet many of our members are deficient in the attendance of our midweek meetings, both for worship and discipline and some care taken, mostly careful to observe the hour, most friends are preserved from sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour,
- 2nd There is a good degree of love and unity maintained among us. tho' much wanted in some instances, friends guard against detraction, with some exceptions, not wholly clear as to differences, & some care taken —
- 3rd We believe most friends are in a good degree careful to bring up those under their direction, in plainness of speech behaviour and apparel, to restrain them from reading pernicious books and from the corrupt conversation of the world & in a good degree exemplary. The Holy scriptures are frequently read in most families, but still we fear there is a want of a more strict watchfulness in too many in most of these particulars —
- 4th Generally careful in these respects, except in some instances of too frequent use of spirituous liquors and attending places of public resort,
- 5th Clear as far as appears —
- 6th Clear except a few instances of keeping company and marrying out,
- 7th Clear as far as appears —
- 8th Friends are generally careful in these respects, though not without some exceptions —
- 9th Mostly careful in these respects —
- 10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders in measure as quoried after, yet we are sensible more extensive and timely care is necessary re complain as to placing judgment. —

Our business being closed at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Berwick at the usual time in the 8^{mo}. next.

John Brown Clerk -

Dover Quarterly meeting held at Berwick 8th mo 27th 1829

By accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives are for Dover, John Brown, Nicholas Tins, Timothy Hanson and Eli Tarnor, for Berwick, James Hussey and Joseph Brackett, for Sandwich, Tim Tarnor, Ezra Mader and John Bude, who are all present —

Valentine Mader attended this meeting with a certificate from Harkshorough monthly meeting dated 1^{mo}. 7th 1829

Dover Quarterly meeting held at Berwick 8^{mo} 28th 1828

By accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives are for Dover, Joseph Tuttle, Tim Hanson and William Brown, for Berwick, Stephen Jenkins, Andrew Austin and Ephraim Morris, for Sandwich, Joshua Houg Kiram Wingate and Ezra Mader, who are all present — read the Queries and answers received from our monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd & 10th Query —

This meeting is informal, the representative appointed to attend our last yearly meeting, all attended except two for whose absence satisfactory reasons were given — Received the following Minutes from our last yearly meeting, together with the report from the Boarding School committee, which are directed to be forwarded to our monthly meetings. It appears from the following communication from our last yearly meeting, that the proportion of yearly meeting Stock required to be raised by Dover Mt. meeting is thirty five Dollars, the Clerk is directed to apportion the same, as usual, — — — Recd. 330 Copies of the following Epistles from our last yearly meeting, which are directed to be distributed among our members by the Clerks of our monthly meetings

Our Business being closed we conclude proposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in 10^{mo} next.

John Brown Clk

" At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New
England, held on Rhode Island,
in the 6th month 1828.

" The following Minutes, adopted with the concurrence
of the Women's Meeting, were directed to be forwarded to
our several Quarterly and monthly Meetings:

This Meeting having been introduced into a
weighty consideration of the relation in which we
stand towards Friends of some of the other Yearly
Meetings on this continent, in which difficulties
have irretrievably prevailed, till separation has been
the result; we have deemed it our indispensable
duty to meet the exigencies of the occasion, by man-
ifesting our unity with those Meetings which have
continued steadfast in their adherence to the ancie-
nt order, discipline and faith of the Society, and our
disunity with those who have receded therefrom;
and it is therefore our conclusion, that no removal
or other certificates be received from, or transmitted
to, such Meetings as are known to have receded from
the ancient foundation of the Society. And Friends
are cautioned against opening our Meeting-Houses to
any who have identified themselves with the bodies
thus receding; and all our Members are advised not
to attend meetings that may be held or appointed by
such.

The annexed extract from the minutes of the Yearly
Meeting held in Philadelphia, by adjournments, from the
21st to the 28th of the 4th mo. last, shew what meetings within
its limits, are in unity with that Yearly Meeting.

Till some more certain information shall be
received of the situation of the various Meetings
within the compass of the Yearly Meeting of New York,
and other Yearly meetings in which division, or
a departure from those principles and practices
which once united us together as one people, is
unhappily manifesting itself, we recommend to all our
Subordinate Meetings, the exercise of a sound discretion
in the premises.

And should cases occur, in which any of our Meetings find it difficult to decide, they are requested to apply to the Meeting for Sufferings for its advice; and said Meeting is desired to give its attention to the Subject, and render all the assistance herein, from time to time, that it may be qualified to afford.

From the Minutes of said Meeting

Abraham Shearman Clerk

Extract from the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting of Friends, held in Philadelphia, by adjournments, from the 21st to the 28th, inclusive, of the 1st mo. 1828 accompanying their Epistle of that date.

In considering the difficulty and embarrassment in which Meetings may be involved, for want of knowing whether certificates which may be produced to them are issued by Meetings in unity with us, several Friends are appointed in each of our Quarterly Meetings as correspondents, one or more of whom are to sign (in addition to the usual mode of signing) all certificates of removal, and all other certificates or minutes given forth for Friends; and it is requested, in order that certificates may duly reach the Meetings to which they are directed, that they be addressed or sent to one of those Friends. — The names of the correspondents, with their respective places of residence, are subjoined.

Philadelphia Qu^r — Joseph Whitaker, Muncy
John Lee, Exeter
John Paul } Philad^a
Isaac W. Morris }

Hington Quarter. — Charles Shoemaker, Abington.
Jesse Spencer, Gwynedd.
James Bell, Stroudsburg.

Bucks Quarter — Jos^t. Satterthwaite, Fair Township

Bery^a Wiggins, Wrights Town } Bucks Co.

John W. Balderson, Solebury } Pennsylv.

Concord Twp. — Joseph Rhodes, Maple township } Adams Co. Penn.

Nathan Sharpless, Concord

John Forsythe, West Goshen, Chester Co. Penn.

Caln. Quarter — Rob^t Moore, Sadsbury

Thomas Jackson, Robeson,

George G. Ashbridge, Greensburgtown } Chester Co.

Western Quarter — William Bailey, London Grove,

Edw^d B. Temple, Parkersville Post office } Chester Co. Penn.

Thomas Lambourn, New Garden

Burlington Twp. — William Allison, Burlington City

William Newbold, Upper Springfield } New Jersey

Samuel Wanklin, Crossfield, Washington Co.

Daniel Parker, Hooked Head, } New Jersey

Haddonfield Twp. — Fargellia Lueder, Great Egg Harbor —

John Gill, Haddonfield

Joseph Mattuck, Mannastown —

Joshua Nichols, Upper Crossfield

Merion Twp. — Samuel Webster, Woodbury —

Caspar Wistar, Tulare

George Waco, Greensville —

Shrewsbury and — Benjamin Parker, Shrewsbury

Wakarusa Twp. — Jacob Parker, Wakarusa } N. J.

Nathan Hall, Plainfield

Dover Quarterly Meeting held 11th & 22nd 1828.
 By accounts received from our Monthly meetings
 the representatives are for Dover, Samuel Varney,
 Stephen Sawyer, and Joseph Tuttle, a Per-
 mits, John Woffam James Hussey and Ephraim
 Merrill - for Sandwich Timothy Varney John
 Gay - and Joshua Johnson; who are all present.
 The time having expired for which the deacons
 were appointed, the representatives propose John
 Brown for Clerk and Jonathan Darnie for as-
 sistant clerk - they are accordingly appointed
 to that service for the ensuing year - Read
 the queries and answers rec^d from our monthly
 meetings to the 1st, 2nd and 10th - Our bu-
 siness being closed we conclude proposing to
 meet again at Sandwich at the usual
 time in the 1st mo. next.

John Brown, Clerk
 [Signature]

Dover Quarterly Meeting held at Sand-
 wich 14th mo 22nd 1829 By accounts re-
 ceived from our monthly meetings the representatives
 are for Dover, Eli Varney Timothy Hanson and
 Joseph Tuttle for Sandwich James Hussey
 William Hill and Wenajah Woffam, for Sandwich
 Timothy Varney Samuel Scribner and Wm Haz-
 den who are all present - Our esteemed friend
 Samuel Buckett attended this meeting with a

Certificate - from New Garden monthly meeting
 Wayne County, Indiana; - dated 7th mo 19th
 1828. expressive of the unity and sympathy of
 his present friends in his prospect, and
 endorsed by New Garden Quarterly meeting held
 the 26th of 7th mo. 1828. his company and Gospel
 labours have been acceptable and edifying
 to us. Also our esteemed friend Moses H. Beede
 attended this meeting with a certificate from
 Ferrisburg monthly meeting held at Monticorne
 29th of 11th mo 1828. - expressing the unity of his
 friends in his prospect, and endorsed by Fer-
 risburg Quarterly Meeting held at Monticorne,
 the 6th of 11th mo 1828. his company has
 been acceptable. Also our esteemed friend
 Joseph S. Hag (companion to Moses H. Beede)
 attended this meeting with a minute from
 Ferrisburg monthly meeting of friends held
 at Monticorne the 5th of 12th mo 1828. his
 company has been acceptable to us. Read
 the queries and answers from our month-
 ly meetings to the 1st, 2nd, and 10th queries.
 To our next monthly meeting we are inform-
 ed they are united in approving the public
 appearance of John S. Lang in the ministry,
 which after the deliberate consideration
 of this meetg., the women's meeting concurring
 therein, is united with, and the Clerk J

directed to give the necessary information. —
 Our business being closed at this time, we
 conclude, proposing to meet again at the a
 usual time at Dover in the 4th Mo. next.

Thos Brown
 Clerk

At our quarterly Meeting of friends held at
 Dover - 4th Mo 2nd. 1839. By accounts rec^d
 the representatives are for Dover Joseph Galt
 Mr. Eli Varney and Postus Varney, for Ber-
 mick, John S Lang ^{Anderson} Joseph Austin, and Ste-
 phen Nichols, for Sandwich John Hoag
 John Meader and Benja. Frye — who are all
 present. Read the queries with the answers
 rec^d from our Monthly meetings, and the follo-
 wing Summary is prepared for our Yearly
 Meeting next, to be held at Wadestown and
 we appoint as representatives (to wit) Benja.
 Frye, Astina Meader John S Lang and John
 Brown — Our esteemed friend John Meader
 opened in this meeting a prospect of making
 a religious visit to friends and others
 within the limits of New York, Philad^a, Ohio,
 and Indiana Yearly meetings, and some
 parts of Baltimore Yearly Meetings which
 after a time of solid Consideration is
 united with, and he is left at liberty to per-
 sue his prospect as best wisdom may
 direct — The clerk is directed to endorse
 the substance of the within minute on his
 certificate from Sandwich Monthly meeting
 and Sign the same on behalf of this
 meeting. Our esteemed friend Elizabeth

Meader opened in this meeting a prospect of accompanying her husband, in his visit to friends and others, as aforementioned, which after a time of solid consideration is also united with, and she left to pursue the prospect as best wisdom may direct. The clerk is directed to endorse the substance of this minute on her certificate from Sandwich M^c meeting & sign the same on behalf of this meeting. Joseph Daulton is appointed Treasurer to this meeting and is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer. Our business being closed we conclude proposing to meet again at Ferrisburgh at the usual time in the 8th M^c next.

John Brown -
Clerk

Our Quarterly Meeting held at Ferrisburgh 8th M^c 2^d 1829. By accounts rec^d from our monthly meetings. Our representatives are for Ferrisburgh John Brown Nicholas Jones Timothy Hanson and Eli Varney - for Sandwich James Hussey and Joseph Brackett, for Sandwick Timothy Varney Ezra Meader and John Peede - who are all present. Valentine Meader attended this meeting with a certificate from Harksborough M^c meeting dated 1st mo 5th, and endorsed by Ferrisburgh quarterly meeting held 1st mo 6th 1829. He has also attended some other meetings in this quarter and his services, and Company have been acceptable to us.

Also his Companion Nathan H. Mader
attend this meeting with a meeting copy of
a minute from Ferrisburg monthly meeting
held Feb. 11th. 1829. whose company has
been acceptable. The clerk is directed to extract
the substance of this minute, and sign the
same on behalf of this meeting. Read the
queries with the answers rec^d from our
monthly meetings for the 1st, 2nd, and 10th
Elizabeth Briggs attended this meeting
attended this meeting with a copy of a
minute from Salem monthly meeting
held at Lyme - the 1st inst. - whose compa-
ny and services have been acceptable.

The Clerk is directed to furnish Salem
monthly meeting with a copy of this min-
ute and sign the same on behalf of this
meeting. Read and read the following com-
munication from our last Yearly Meeting, copies
of which are directed to be forwarded to
our several monthly meetings.

"At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for
New England held on White Island
from the 14th to the 18th inclusive of
the 6th Mo. 1829."

"The committee on the state of Society to
which was referred & reported of the Yearly Meetings
of London, New York, Baltimore, &c. and
Indiana rec^d at this time, have given attention to
the subject, and considered it in connection
with the relation in which we stand towards
the other Yearly Meetings of Friends in this country
and propose the adoption of the following min-
utes which being read and considered are
united with word Copies thereof directed to be
forwarded to our several quarterly and monthly
meetings: and also to be transmitted to the

Several Yearly Meetings with which we correspond.

This meeting having last year been introduced into
 "much exercise on account of the difficulties which
 "then manifested themselves in our religious so-
 "cieties in various sections of this country, and
 "which had prevailed to the separation had been
 "the sorrowful result—deemed it an indis-
 "pensable duty to meet the exigencies of the
 "occasion, by declaring our unity with
 "those meetings, that had continued steadfast
 "in their adherence to the ancient order, dis-
 "cipline, and faith, of the society and our dis-
 "unity with those who had receded therefrom."

"We feel it to be our duty again to avow
 "to this joyful society, and to salute to our
 "sub-ordinate meetings, that not only within the
 "Yearly Meetings of Penna. and New York, to which
 "reference was had in our minutes of last
 "year, but also within those of Baltimore, Ohio,
 "and Indiana;—Separate bodies exist
 "under the name of Yearly Meetings of
 "friends with Quarterly, Monthly, and other
 "meetings in connection with them, which
 "are not in fellowship with us, a religious
 "community.—In consequence of the
 "harassments and mistakes to which Friends are
 "exposed by the Separatists that having contin-
 "ued to state the name and character of
 "Friends, the Yearly Meetings of New York, Ohio
 "and Indiana, in acknowledged unity with
 "us have been induced to furnish the names
 "of correspondents, appointed by them in
 "their several quarterly meetings—one or
 "more of whom is to sign their addition to
 "the usual mode of signing, all removal
 "or other certificates or documents issued which
 "are to go beyond the limits of their respective
 "quarterly meetings.—And in order that

"certificates may duly reach meetings to which
"they are directed, it is recommended by them
"that they be forwarded to one of these friends."

Baltimore Yearly Meeting has directed
"that to the several of all the meetings of
"every description within the compass of their
"Yearly Meeting the following words be added:
"We unite with the ancient Yearly Meetings of
"friends;" and have appointed Isaac
"Brooks, James Gillingham and Nicholas
"Popplein residing in the city of Baltimore
"a committee, - some of whom it is signed
"in addition to the usual signature of the
"yearly all minutes or certificates issued
"by monthly or quarterly meetings for
"any of their ministers or members."

Correspondents of New York Yearly Meeting

Westbury Quarterly Meeting		
New York m ^o meeting	Wm F. Mott	1st & 2 ^d by address - New York
Flushing "	Sam ^l . Parsons	Flushing, Queens Co., N.Y.
Westbury and Series	Thos. Willis	Series. do. do.

Purchase Quarterly Meeting

Purchase Quarterly Meeting		
Purchase m ^o meeting -	Richard Mott	Shatter, Co., N.Y.
Amaralk "	Stephen Brown	Mamaroneck West -
Shapague "	Edith Griffin	Pack Hill do, do.
		Mt Pleasant, do, do.

Five Partners Quarterly Meeting

Five Partners Quarterly Meeting		
Five Partners m ^o m ^g	Isaac Thore	Washington, Dutchess Co., N.Y.
Along -	Wm Leach	Sherman, Fairfield Co.
Rome -	Enoch Dorland	Arthurburg, Dutchess Co.

East Quarterly Meeting

East Haverhill m. m. f. John W. Allen. North Adams Westshire (Mass)
 Sandy " " John Otis. Sandy, Rutland Co. Ver.

Stanford Quarterly Meeting

Creeton m. meeting. Reuben Horner, Poughkeepsie N. Y. do
 Stanford " " John F. Hull, - Stamfordville, do. do.
 Hudson " " Isaac Lyon, - Federal Store Columns do. do.

Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting

Ferrisburg monthly m. f. John Knowles, Markon Addison Co. Vermont
 Markblomberg. Amos Walter, Markblomberg do. do.
 Ferris " " David Hartness, Kederilla do. do. N. Y.

Canada Half Year Meeting

West Lake m. m. f. Gilbert Dorland, Hollisville Prince Edward Co. Upper Canada
 Leeds and Adolphus. John Ferris. Kingston do. do.
 Orange St. Thos. Leville. Newmarket do. do.
 Pelham " " Geo. King. Thorold, deep cut do. do.
 Norwich " " Frederick Storer. Surford, Oxford, Co. do.

Farmington Quarterly Meeting

Collier's m. m. f. John Strong. East Hamlet, Erie Co. do.
 Hamburg " " James Sherman. Lodi, Calaveras Co. N. Y.
 Hartland " " Nathaniel Cimentak. Lockport, Niagara, do. do.
 Farmington " " Isaac Hathaway. Seneca, Ontario, do. do.
 Rochester " " Mead Abbot. Rochester, Monroe, do. do.

Saratoga Quarterly Meeting

Lucasburg m. m. f. James Holt. Clark Co. Saratoga do. do.
 Milton " " James Allen. Greenfield, do. do. do.
 Galway " " Henry Chase. Providence do. do. do.
 Le Roy " " Daniel Child. Le Roy, Jefferson do. do.
 Lowville " " George Hill. Lowville, Lewis do. do.
 Saratoga " " Paul Kirby. Half Moon, Saratoga do. do.

Quartermaster's Meeting

Coccy mms meeting - Saml J. Powell - Cordackie, Grove Co. N. H.
Hensillacville - Peter Stever - Hensillacville, Albany Co. N. H.
Quartermaster - An - Sealer - Quartermaster - Sealer - Albany Co. N. H.
Suttonville - Edw. Cornell - Suttonville, Otsego Co. N. H.
Bryggemaster - Chadwick Williams - Bryggemaster, Otsego Co. N. H.

Quartermaster's Meeting

Quartermaster meeting - Abey Greene - Canterbury, N. H.
Marlborough - Daniel Woodhall - Marlborough, N. H.
Plain - Isaac Wilson - Plain, N. H.

Scipio Quarterly Meeting

Scipio mms meeting - James Derby - Scipio, N. H.
Scipio - Humphrey Monland - Scipio, N. H.
Hector - Wm. Carman - Hector, N. H.

Correspondents of Ohio Quarterly Meeting

Red Stone St - George Smith - Red Stone, Washington Co. N. H.
Dandy Gully - Brownville do do
Joshua Cape - Providence do do
Shut Creek St - Isaac Parker - Mount Pleasant, Jeff. Co. N. H.
Wenj. W. Ladd - Smithfield do do do
Jos. Williams - Plushing, Belmont do do
Salem St - Wm. Heald - Fairfield, Columbiana do do
John Street Salem do do do
Saml Woolman do do do
Denny Johnson do do do
Hill Water St - Wm. Green - Barnesville, Belmont Co. N. H.
Jos. Edgerton do do do
Saml. Embree - McConnsville, Morgan Co. N. H.
New Garden St - John Johnson - New Garden, Columbiana do do
Levi Miller - Hanover do do do
David Hole - Fairfield, do do do

Correspondents of Indiana Yearly Meeting
 Miami's Quarter Robert Furnace, Maynesville, Warren, & Co.
 The Gannettou, - Spring Branch do. do. do.
 Wm. Benedict, - Dennington, Lebanon, do. do.
 John Davis, Cincinnati do.
 Henry Pickens, Jamesfield, Logan do.
 Elijah Anderson, Charleston, Clark do.
 West Branch St. James Tenney } Union, Miami do. do.
 Saml. & Jany }
 Saml. Jones } do. do.
 Fairfield St. Richard Marshall, Hillsborough, Highgate
 Gershom Perdue, Leeburg, do. do. do.
 James Hadley, Wilmington, Clinton do.
 White water St. - Stephen May, Richmond, Mayne Co. St.
 Elijah Coffin, Milton do. do. do.
 John Marshall, Economy, do. do. do.
 Blue River St. - Nathaniel Berlin, Richville, Park do.
 Joel Sison, Monroeville, Morgan do. do.
 Henry Wilson, Salem, Washington do.
 Richard Hayworth, Newport, Massachusetts do.
 New Garden St. Francis Thomas, New Garden, Mayne Co.
 Sena. Sherson do. do. do. do. do.
 Sena. Co. Manchester, Randolph do. do.
 Westfield St. Wm. Ballant, Jacksonburg, Butler do. do.
 Jos. Stubbs, Mer. Union, Preble do. do.
 Wm. Gallant, Liberty, Union do. do.
 Center St. Cabot Harvey }
 Joseph Downer } Wilmington, Clinton do. do.
 David Bailey }

The following minutes of the Yearly Meeting
 of Indiana held in the 5th Mon. 1828
 accompanied its epistle to that meeting:
 "This meeting has directed that all certificates
 of removals, issued by our monthly meeting
 to friends, on the continent of America be
 forwarded by the meeting which issues them.

"to their correspondents in London, in order to
"their being by them transmitted to America; and
"this meeting suggests to the several Yearly Meetings
"of Friends in America, the propriety of their
"directing their certificates, on behalf of friends
"removing to within the compass of this Yearly
"Meeting, to be forwarded to the care of the corres-
"pondents in or near London, who are appoint-
"ed by this meeting for the respective Yearly
"Meetings on the American Continent"

And it is our conclusion that all certificates
and other documents issued by our Subordinate
Meetings, and addressed to the meetings of Friends
in Great Britain and Ireland be transmitted
by the meetings issuing them, to one of the
Correspondents of this Yearly Meeting, who are
Moses Brown, William Knapp, William Shuman,
Jr. and Stephen Gould to be forwarded by
them to the correspondents of the Yearly Meet-
ings of London and Ireland"

from the minutes of the Yearly
Meeting aforesaid
Abraham Shumann Secy.

Clerk

It appears by the following minute this
meeting's proportion of Yearly Meeting stock is
fifty dollars, which is directed be apportioned
as usual - The London Yearly Meeting Epistle for
the year 1828, was read in this meeting, and
a large number of copies were read and
are directed to be distributed to our monthly
meetings

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Those appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting,
inform they all attended — Our business
being closed we conclude, proposing to meet
again at Dover at the usual time in the next
month next — John Brown
Clerk

Our quarterly Meeting held, Wt. Mo. 2nd.
1829. By accounts rec^d from our monthly
meetings, the representatives, are, for Dover El. Varney,
John Ham, and John Brown. for Bernick
Capt. Waffum. Enos Hays, and Isaac Waffum
for Sandwick Timothy Varney, John Hays, and
Rufus Sturds — who are all present.
The time having expired for which the
Clerk and assistant were appointed the
representatives propose, John Brown for Clerk —
and Joseph Tuttle for assistant clerk and
they are accordingly appointed to that
service the year ensuing. — Read the queries;
with the answers from our monthly
meetings to the Wt. Mo, and 10th Queries —
Our business being closed at that time
we conclude, proposing to meet again
at Sandwick, at the usual time in the
1st month next — John Brown
Clerk

Dear Quarterly Meeting held at Sandwich
 1st month 28. 1830. By accounts received from
 our Monthly Meeting the representatives are for Dover
 Eli Varney, Timothy Hanson and Jacob Varney
 for Berwick. Joseph Brackett, John DeLong
 and James Hussy, for Sandwich. Jos^{ph} Bidee
 Enoch Hoag and Jesse Roberts, who are present
~~were~~. The clerk being absent, Ezra Mader is
 appointed clerk for the day, and Eli Varney
 Assistant clerk. The queries have been
 read in this meeting, with answers from
 our several monthly meetings. This meeting
 with the concurrence of the women, united
 with Sandwich monthly meeting in the appoint-
 ment of Hagail Trade to the Station of
 an Elder. And the clerk is directed to
 forward the necessary information. Elders
 turned friend Hagail Miller attended this
 Meeting with a Certificate of concurrence
 from Seabrook monthly meeting held at
 Opping 1st month 1830. These company
 and labours have been satisfactory to us.
 Also our friends Jos^{ph} Bidee, and Hagail M.
 Johnson, attended this meeting as companions
 to our aforesaid friends with certificates
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of concurrence from Seabrook m^o. meeting
held at Opping 1st mo. 1830 - whose
company has been acceptable - Our business
being closed at that time we adjourn
proposing to meet again at Dover
in the 4th mo. next -

Orra Meader
Ck. for the day

Our quarterly meeting held 4th Mo. 2nd 1830 -
By accounts rec^d from our monthly meetings
the representatives are for Dover Joseph Tuttle
Samuel Varney, and Justus Varney, for Berwick
Orra May, Joseph Brackett, and Stephen Nichols
for Sandwich Parker Gidd, J^r. Wade, and
Cyrus Pease, who are all present. - Read the
queries with the answers thereto rec^d from our
several monthly meetings - a summary of which
is prepared for our next year's meeting to be
held in Rhode Island, and we appoint as represen-
tatives thereof Timothy Varney, Joseph Scovens J^r.
Garrison, James Kenney, and Orra Meader -

Resolved from the meeting for suffering held at
Providence by adjournments 16th & 21st 1830 the follow-
ing minute a copy of which is directed to be forward-
ed to our several Monthly Meetings -

" A Meeting for suffering held at Providence
by adjournments 16th & 21st 1830 -

It being received in this meeting
that all the families of Friends may be in the

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Also our beloved Sister J. H. has
Companion to Valerius. Sister attended the
meeting with a hope of a moment's
travelling - Monthly meeting held at
Sunday Dec. 4. 1850 - by far the best
as yet - and the same with the
census, names from Dec. monthly meeting,
the 1st Dec. of 10th Dec.

Those appointed to attend our last Yearly
meeting when they all attended to their
appointments except Timothy. Concerned for
what reason nothing was received
and the following reports from our last
Yearly Meeting. To be with the report
of the Boarding School Committee
as follows -

Annual Yearly Meeting of Friends for
New England, Middle and West from the
10th to the 18th Dec. 1850

The following report of the Boarding School Com-
mittee was read & being satisfactory to the
meeting, they were directed to be forwarded
to our Quarterly Meeting.

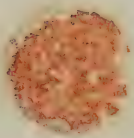
To the Yearly Meeting -

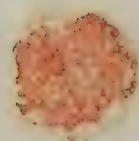
The Boarding School Committee report
that they have during the past year, endeav-
ored to promote the objects confided
to their care by the Yearly Meeting
in the superintendence of the Institution's
& are thankful in being able to state
that its various concerns have been conducted
in a good degree in accordance with the design
of Friends in its establishment.

Meals for worship have been regularly kept
up, & the family furnished in harmony
The school is continued under the immediate
Charge of Orestes L. Ledy, at Ledy's
lodgings in which there have the assistance
of Stephen J. O'Connell -

Reverend S. H. May - Miss Melville S. May
Orlando Parsons Ledy S. O'Connell & I
have been employed as Teachers, during most of
the past year, with the exception of Ledy
whose state of health was such in
the Autumn as to render it necessary for
him to retire from the school - O'Connell
is absent - David H. May was employed as an
associate Teacher - Orestes L. Ledy is again
about to resume the discharge of his former
duties, & Moses A. Condit has been seen the
organist as an assistant in the Congregational
Church - & Phila Rogers the choir -

The Average Number of scholars during the
year has been 124 -
The account of the expenses of the school
fund, and of the subscription to have
been received, & audited - & the state of
the fund continues to be such as to induce
the Committee to propose that Children
who are members of this Church meeting continue
to be admitted at \$12.50 per year
and that the privilege of sending scholars
free of expense be continued as last year -
The Committee being clearly of the opinion
that children would receive much greater benefit
by being sent to the school for a term of time
not less than 6 months, & for the end





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Monthly Meetings are therefore advised, not
to send the same, as the expense of time
when it can be conveniently avoided.
Friends are also advised not to send the
same if it is not the case, until they
have first obtained the approbation of the
School Committee, which meets at Portland
the third day after the last of the day
and month.

On behalf of the Comtee -

Wm. D. Brown

Nov. 5-7 1830

Wm. D. Brown

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends
an Essay entitled "The Testimony of the
Church of Friends in the American Church"
prepared by the General Committee, composed
of members from all the Yearly Meetings in
America (which convened in Philadelphia the
1st inst) was read before our Meeting of
Min. & Wm. Friends - Collected, assembled,
& having deliberately considered, was cordially
unitedly and fully approved, embracing a
consideration of the doctrine of Testimony,
which has always been held by our Society.
This document having been approved by
the Yearly Meeting of Friends in this
Country, the Eld. was directed to add to this
document in the extracts to be sent down, that
the necessary arrangements have been made for
printing it, & that the General Yearly Meeting
will be supplied by the Publ. for Friends with
a sufficient number of copies. It is further
ordered that Friends will be supplied with
copies of the same.

The subject of marriage in the hands of
 society, having been brought under the
 view of the Society, and the solid and
 distinct consideration, it is concluded that
 the constitution of the Yearly Meeting, as formerly
 framed in the year 1776 & 1777, that our
 members be not allowed to marry a deceased
 wife's sister, and a deceased husband's sister
 shall hereafter be considered as the constitution
 to be given to our general discipline, and
 the Clerk is directed to forward copies of this minute
 to our several Yearly Meetings, to be inserted
 in the books of discipline in their respective
 copies by direction, from the Minutes of said Yearly

by Abner Shearman & Clark
 which have been read at this time to our
 satisfaction & concurred in; the Clerk is
 directed to forward copies thereof to our several
 Yearly Meetings - The Yearly Meeting, having
 concluded to adjourn, yet the business of the
 evening remains. This meeting proper being
 being of 50, the Clerk is directed to offer
 the same as usual -

The Clerk is directed to extend the publication
 of the minutes in future, some to the
 Religious Friends of Society I observed & give
 the same one half of the Minutes.
 Our business being closed at this time,
 we conclude proposing to meet again
 at Dover at the usual time in the
 16th mo next -

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 Com. J. M. D. of J. L. L. L.
 10. 10. 1880. By accounts in J. L. L. L.
 11. 11. 1880. By accounts in J. L. L. L.

For Ourselves, Lewis & Clark, Parry, and
John Parry - For Smith, Baker, Drake,
Ordway, Peck, and John Macdonald - For
Friedrich, Ruyter, Stey - Samuel Smith &
John Hoag, who are all present.

The time having expired for me, the Clerk
was appointed, the representation, for the
Term Service for Clerk & Scribe. Little
for a Special Clerk - He is accordingly
appointed to that service the year ensuing.
Send the Treasurers with the money raised
from the Monthly Meetings to the 1st
2nd & 18th Days.

I have 2500 copies of the London Quarterly
 Review with a 1st special issue, and
 a 2nd issue of the 1st volume
 out of the press and encouragement

our beloved Grand Jurors. We Sept
attended this meeting with a Certificate
from (last annual) meeting of Grand
held in the town of (Pulaski) State
County N. Y. dated Jan. 18th 1880. ordered
by Starved Locality meeting held at
County, Pulaski County, State of N. Y.
Dec 6th 1880. Expressive of their unity
in the present - her simple and religious
interest has been acceptable to us -

Also our esteemed friend Matilda Solomon
 in company with Sarah M. Upton attended the
 meeting of Friends held in the town of Clinton
 Dutchess County, N.Y. dated Jan. 17. 1830.
 her Company has been acceptable to us

Also our friend Smith Upton in company
 with the aforesaid friends, has been accept-
 able with us - with a minute from each
 monthly meeting, held in the town of Clinton
 Dutchess County, N.Y. - dated Jan. 17. 1830.

The clerk is directed to extract the substance
 of the foregoing minutes in favour of our
 friends Sarah M. Upton - Matilda
 Solomon and Smith Upton and the same
 on behalf of this meeting.

Our ^{meeting} ~~meeting~~ being closed at this time, we
 conclude, I proposing to meet again at
 Sandwick at the usual time with the same
 for John Pappan etc.

Our Quarterly meeting of friends held at
 Sandwick Jan. 27. 1831. In answer to various
 from our several monthly meetings the repre-
 sentatives are. For Dan Timothy Hemenway
 Eli Perry & Stephen Meads, For Remond
 Joshua Meads, John O'Sung and Ebenezer
 Perkins, For Sandwick Escher Solomon
 Jonathan Lide, Samuel Scribner - who are
 present except that

the clerk being absent, Ezra Mead is ap-
 pointed clerk for the day & Stephen Meads
 Christatt, the Quakers have been present, in the
 meeting, with the requested answer from
 our several monthly meetings.

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The Second Grand Meeting Mr. Hoag has
attended the meeting with a minute of
concurrence from the General Monthly Meeting
held at Mount- Zion, 1831. and
counter-signed in John Knolls as Correspondent,
his company and religious labors have
been satisfactory to us - and the Clerk
is directed to extract the substance of the above
minute for him and sign it on behalf of
the meeting - This meeting is informed that
there are 400 copies of the document called
the Testimony of Friends, received by the
Clerk. and are directed to be distributed to
our several Monthly Meetings -

It being being Clerk at this time on
account proposing to make a grand at Dover
at the usual time in the 4th Month -

Ezra Meader, Clerk
for the day

Our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held Apr.
28-1831. (1) By accounts received from
our Monthly Meetings the representatives are for
Dover, Wm. Brown, James Varney, Nicholas, ones
for Wrentham, Peleg Meader, Stephen Nichols
and Andrew Austin, For Sandwick, Timothy
Varney, Benja. Fry, & Ezra Meader - who are
all present except one - The Querie's have been
read with the answers thereto received from
our several Monthly Meetings, from which the
following summary is prepared for our next
Quarterly meeting to be held on Rhode Island, &
in appoint as Representatives, Chester, John Brown,
Ezra Meader, Eli Varney & Joshua Schindler.

1st Your meeting will be informed
 that they are sent to the office of
 the Boston Society, to the station of
 the meeting, after which to
 the church, with the concurrence of the
 meeting, then it will be distributed
 give the necessary information.

The Clerk is directed to acknowledge the
 and duplicate sent by the meeting of the
 "Testimony of the Society of Friends" and the Con-
 tract of Amos, also all minutes and
 received from our last Yearly meeting -
 Our Treasurer is directed to forward our
 proportions of Yearly stock, to the Yearly Meeting
 Treasurers -

Our business meeting held at the time
 including, proposing to meet again at
 at the usual time, on the 8th next -
 at the usual time (9)

Dover Quarterly meetg. held at Cornick Sm.
 25th - 1834 By Accounts received from our
 Monthly meetg. the representatives therein
 named are, for Dover, Chas Thompson,
 James Roberts & Timothy Robinson - for Cornick
 James Hussey, Joshua Perkins, & Joseph
 Meader, for Sandorick, Ezra Meader,
 Benjⁿ Fry & John Hoag, who are all
 present excepting one - Read the Quers
 with the answers received, to the 1st &
 10th - Query -

Our Esteemed aged Friend Jos^{ph} Hoag

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attended this meeting, with a certificate
from Ferrisburgh Monthly Meetg. of Friends
held at New Haven the 27. of June 1831, & endorsed by
Ferrisburgh Quarterly Meetg. of Friends held at
New Haven, dated June 5. 1831 - Uniting with him in
his prospect, - his company and religious labours
amongst us, have been truly to our satisfaction &
encouragement - Also our Esteemed Friend
Sindley M. Hoag, attended this meeting with
a certificate from the same Monthly Meetg.
and endorsed by the same Qtrly Meetg.
expressive of their Unity in his prospect, his company
and services have been acceptable, as also we
have had at this time the acceptable company
of Matthew Purington with a copy of
a Minute from Providence Monthly
Meetg. of Friends, held 7mo 27. 1831 -
Those appointed to attend the Yearly
Meeting inform they all attended excepting
Eli Varney for whose absence satisfactory
reasons have been received

Our Esteemed Friend Betsey Purington attended
this meeting with a copy of a Minute from
Providence Monthly Meetg. dated 7mo 27. 1831
Expressive of the Unity of her Friends in
her prospect, - her company and religious
labours have been acceptable

Received the following ^{extra} from our last Yearly
Meeting together with the report of the Boardy:
School Committee: as follows:

at a Yearly Meeting Friends of New England
at the 1st of Feb from the 12th of 19
the 1st of the month 1851

The following report of the Boardy School
Committee was read and read, and being
approved, was referred to the meeting of
the Church was directed to forward Copies
thereof to our several Branches of Monthly Meetings.

To The Yearly Meeting
The Boardy School Committee report
that they have during the past Year,
endeavored to promote the objects of
superintendence in a general
of the South by the various means, that
its various resources have been conducted in accordance
with the intention of Friends in its establishment.
Only one membership has been received
of and the family provided in
The School is continued under the immedi-
ate care of Enos & Lydia Pichard
in connection with the assistance of
of Cannon Creek. Miss A. Carter
examined the school during the year, and
expressed approval as to the progress.

I shall continue to be the agent for the same. The
 that I think it proper the Children in the same
 should be taught that they are bound to obey
 their parents, and instructed to conform carefully to the
 rules and regulations of the Sabbath School. And they
 for the purpose of increasing the number of scholars
 in this School last year, that Friends and parents
 pay over 14 years ago to the School and the
 first obtained the approbation of the Com. the
 that made at Sandwich on the 3rd day after the
 last 5th day is well made.

Respectfully of the Com. the
 Dec. 5th 1831. Messrs. Town
 Allen S. Allen

We are informed by Boston Yearly Meeting, that
 the following additional correspondents have been
 appointed since last year, namely -

Rev. Aaron & Jos. Maerzel, for Dummer, and only of
 John Gayfield, Jos. Math. & others for the same
 One of whom is to sign in addition to the usual
 signatures of the Clerks, all certificates issued
 by their Meeting for Ministers and Members of
 Religious Society.

The Philad. Yearly Meeting - that they have
 appointed as correspondents,
 The Philad. Quakers (Col. Rouse, & others)

to our satisfaction -
 Our Business being Closed at this time
 We conclude proposing to meet again at the
 usual time, at Dover in the 10th mo.
Next -

Our Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held
 Wm. 27-1861. By Accounts received from
 our Monthly Meetings the Representatives therein
 named are for Dover, Wm. Brown, Levi Langley
 & Jethro Varney, For Portsmouth Benjamin
 Buffum, Aza Allen & James Hursting -
 For Sandwich Timothy Varney, Cyrus Cook
 & John Hoag - who are all present.
 The time having expired for which the clerks
 were appointed the representatives propose Joshua
 for Clerk, the ensuing Year, he is accordingly
 appointed for that service, Joshua Meader
 is appointed Assistant Clerk for the day -
 Read the Query, with the answers received
 from our several Monthly Meetings to the
 1st 2nd & 10th Query - The following extract
 from the Falmouth Quarterly Meeting has
 been received & read - The subject of the
 removal of the Yearly Meetg. being intro-
 duced and deliberately considered it is
 concluded to propose for the consideration
 of that meeting next year, the removal

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of the Yearly Meeting to come more central
place. — Our Esteemed friend Jane
W. Don, attended this meeting with an
extract from the Minutes of Christ Monthly
Meeting of Friends held at Albion 8mo 16th
1831 uniting with her in her prospects, —
her Company & religious services have been accept-
able to us. The Clerk is directed to endorse
the substance of this on her minutes, & sign the
same on behalf of this meeting.

The London General Epistle of the present
Year has been read at this time to our satisfaction
& encouragement. 200 copies of which have been
received and directed to be distributed among
our Members. —

This Meeting's proportion of Yearly
Meeting Stock the Year ending ^{being} fifty
Pounds the Clerk is directed to apportion
the same as usual. The Clerk is directed
to Extract the substance of the Minutes
in favour of our Friends Matthew and
Percy Turrington — in the 8mo last
and sign the same on behalf of this
Meeting. — Our Business being closed
at this time we conclude proposing to meet
again at Sandorick at the usual time
in the 1st month next. — John Brown Clerk

Our Quarterly Meeting of (Nov. 6)
held at Sandwick Nov. 26. 1832.
The accounts received from and several monthly
minutes, the year later, than usual, are
from David Nicholas Jones, Clerk, from
Alfred Thompson, from David Scott, from
Wm Hill & Kincaid, from James Foran, from
George Reid, from William Wingate, and Parker
1832, who are present except one.
The Clerk being absent, Ezra Meador
is appointed Clerk for the day and Eli
Darnley Assistant, —
The Rev. The Deacons have been read in this
meeting with the regular address from and
several monthly meetings.
Our Esteemed Friend James Jones ^{has} acceptly
attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence
from China Monthly Meeting held Nov. 13:
1831. — Also our Esteemed Friend Ephraim
Jones Companion to our aforesaid friend has
attended this meeting, and produced minutes
of concurrence from China Monthly held
Nov. 13: 1832. His company has been accep-
tably to us. Our Esteemed friend Joseph
Hoad attended this meeting in the 8th
cent, with a Certificate of Concurrence from

Forbes Monthly Meeting, he has
again been acceptably with us at this time.
Our Esteemed Friend Lyndey (Mr. Hrag),
attended this Meeting with the same last
with a certificate of concurrence from
Farnborough Monthly Meeting, he has
again been with us at this time and his
Company of religious services have been
acceptable to us, he has also acceptably
attended a part of the meeting, constituting
this. Also Our Esteemed Friend Abigail
Marshall accompanied to our friend Lyndey Mr.
Hrag has attended this Meeting with the
minutes of concurrence from Farnborough
Monthly Meeting held June 18th 1832, his
Company has been acceptable to us.
Our Esteemed Friend Abigail Miller has
attended this Meeting with a minute
of concurrence from Seabrook Monthly
Meeting held June 5th 1832.
Her Company of religious services, have
been acceptable to us.
Our business being closed at this
time we conclude proposing to meet
again at Farnborough at the usual time
in the 4th next.

Yours Meander
for the Aged

Quarrel meeting of Friends held Nov.
26: 1832. The committee for the
purpose of the year, are for Isaac John
Allen, Oliver Thompson of Salem Mass. Isaac
Joshua Mendenhall, Stephen Michael & Isaac Parry
for Sandwich from N. E. C. Sept. Under
Jedediah Fitch, who are all present.

The representatives for the year
for an assistant clerk for the first year
meeting he is accordingly appointed.

The Queries have been read with the answers
that received from the General Monthly Meeting
from which the following summary is prepared
for our next Yearly Meeting to be held on

Rhode Island, for assistant clerk, Isaac Allen,
Isaac John Parry, Isaac Parry, Isaac
Mendenhall, Oliver Thompson. Minutes of
of the Unit. with the religious labors of
our friends Joseph H. Allen, Isaac Mendenhall
James Jones of Abigail Mendenhall have been
read & directed to be signed by the Clerk.

As also a minute in favour of our Friend
Abraham Smith, concerning the same being
the Unit is directed to forward the same to
the respective Monthly Meetings. By order
Monthly Meeting the are informed they are
united in approving this plan of affairs
and of our Friend Isaac Mendenhall.

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Ministry which after a time of deliberation
with the concurrence of the persons
meeting is united with by this meeting
And it is decided to give the necessary
information.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward
our preparations of Yearly Meeting
to the Yearly Meeting in Maine.

Our Rules being revised at this
time and concluded proposing to meet again at
10 o'clock at the same place in the same
month.

John Brown
(Scribe)

Novor Quarterly Meeting held at
Vernick 8th mo 25th 1832. By accounts
rec'd from our monthly meetings the rep-
resentatives are for Novor. Stephen Meader
Thos. Roberts W. John Brown Dr. for Ver-
nick. Joseph Brackett Wm. Thayer &
Joshua Meader for Sandwick. Jona
Fry. Ezra Meader and Wm. Hazeltine
who are all present. Read the queries
with the answers rec'd to the 1st and
10th query. Those appointed to attend
our last Yearly Meeting informed they
all attended. Rec'd the following extracts
from our last yearly meeting together with
the report of the Board of school committee as follows

From our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, from the 10th to the 15th inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1832.

To our several Quarterly, Monthly, and Preparative Meetings.

DEAR FRIENDS,

The reading of the answers to the Queries, received from our several Quarterly Meetings, has introduced our minds into a deep felt exercise in beholding the many and various departures from our profession, therein brought to view. And in particular we have lamented, the sorrowful want of faithfulness in the attendance of our religious Meetings.—When we consider the duty of assembling ourselves together for public worship to Almighty God, in the light of a public acknowledgment of our belief in Him, and in the gracious revelation of his will through his dear Son, our Lord, what vital importance does the performance of this duty assume. In a feeling of Gospel love, and of our responsibility to Him who hath called us to be a people, and in some measure, as we humbly trust, qualified us through his mercy to labor for his cause, let us revive for the serious and solemn consideration of our brethren in religious profession, that awakening language of our blessed Lord, when in that prepared body : “Also I say unto you, whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man confess before the angels of God : but he that denieth me before men, shall be denied before the angels of God.” We are confirmed in the belief, that as the love of the things of time and the fleeting enjoyments of this world, shall be lessened among us, as, the love of God shall take its place in our hearts, we shall be more concerned faithfully to perform this important duty and in regularly assembling with our brethren, for public worship, and reverently waiting before Him, we shall graciously experience our strength in Him to be renewed, whereby we shall be enabled to withstand the assaults of temptation, and our souls be refreshed with his life giving presence. Let us then, we tenderly exhort, be more and more alive to the great importance of this solemn and interesting duty.

And as the love of God increases and abounds among us, love one unto another will also prevail. Bound together by the sacred ties of Gospel fellowship, our brethren will become exceedingly near to our best feelings, and that heavenly charity which suffereth long and is kind, will become more and more our covering. And O, that Friends every where were duly impressed with the necessity of preserving the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace, and avoiding doubtful disputations, and seeking not to be wise above that which is written, humbly to believe in the all-important truths of the ever blessed Gospel of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, That God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him, should not perish, but have everlasting life ; that he came into the world, as testified in the Holy Scriptures ; that he went about doing good, and manifesting his Divine power for the good of men ; that he died for our sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us unto God ; that He rose again for our justification, and ever liveth to make intercession for us ; that he is God over all, blessed forever. These all-important truths, as we humbly seek to be established therein, will indeed cement us together, and enable us through faith, to bear unitedly our testimony to the mercy and goodness of our heavenly Father. Thus will true unity and religious fellowship be experienced.

And being thus established, how exceedingly precious will those testimonies which we are called upon to bear become in our view. For, being measurably redeemed from the love of the world, we shall be concerned to seek the adorning of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price, rather than the vain ornaments of the world, and be preserved in the simplicity which becometh the Gospel of Christ.

The giving way to the temptation so abundantly offered by the press, in the present day, to what may be appropriately termed, *light reading*, we have been induced to believe, has had its influence in producing, in many instances, a deviation from the simplicity of our profession, not only in faith, but practice—indisposing the mind for serious reflection, giving it a disrelish for the perusal of more solid and useful works, and secretly, but gradually, undermining that firm reliance upon superior aid, which can alone sustain the mind, in the hour of trial and temptation, and rightly bear it up amid the many vicissitudes of time.

The practice of a daily reading of the Holy Scriptures, with our hearts turned unto Him, who can alone rightly open them to our understanding, and apply them effectually to the heart, has been feelingly brought before us. And as we reverently believe, that these invaluable writings, according to their own testimony, are able to make us wise unto salvation, through faith, which is in Jesus Christ, how exceedingly important that we neglect not this precious means, which in the mercy of God has been vouchsafed to us for our reproof, correction and instruction in righteousness. And we are confirmed in the belief, that as parents and heads of families are concerned daily to call around them the objects of their care, and with prayerful hearts for the divine blessing upon their endeavours, to read to them a portion of the sacred volume, allowing a space for silent introversion of soul to God, a great blessing will be experienced. The truths revealed in the Scriptures will become increasingly interesting and precious in our view, and in that of our children and dependents, and the ever blessed cause of truth and righteousness be furthered and promoted. We therefore recommend and tenderly exhort Friends to this practice, and greatly desire their encouragement therein.

And we fervently desire, that all in profession with us, may be renewedly stirred up to more faithfulness and watchfulness in the cause of Christ, remembering that the time is short, and that we are enjoined to work while the day lasts, for the night cometh wherein no man can work.

Signed on behalf of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, *Jr. Clerk.*

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, from the 10th to the 15th, inclusive, of the 6th mo. 1832.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, viz.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE BOARDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT, That they have, during the past year, superintended the Institution, and have cause to believe that it has been conducted in good degree as contemplated by Friends in its establishment. Meetings have been regularly kept up as heretofore. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and sixty-three.

The School has been continued under the care of Enoch and Lydia Breed as Superintendents, with the assistance of Stephen and Hannah Gould. Moses A. Cartland, Pliny Earl, jun. and Jonathan Slocum have been employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Deborah Ramsdell, Mary Griscom, and Caroline Cartland, in the Girls'. Moses B. Lockwood and Isabella Horton have also been engaged as assistants, during a part of the year.

The accounts of the Treasurer of the School Fund and of the Superintendent have been received and audited. The state of the Fund is such that the Committee think it safest to propose, that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar, *six* months, free of expense, and that the price for Scholars generally be continued the same as last year.

The Committee believe it best to propose for the consideration of the Yearly Meeting, the recommending to Friends to endeavour to send their children to the School, as nearly as may be at the following periods, viz. *at the time of our Yearly Meeting*, or in the *first week* of the *second, fifth, eighth and eleventh* months. And they would further propose, that children should not be sent for a less time than *six* months; unless under peculiar circumstances, the consent of the sub-committee be obtained for a less term.

Since our last Report, the department of the School for instruction in the Languages and some of the higher branches of Science has been commenced under the care of Samuel J. Gummere, whose services have been performed acceptably to this Committee. The terms for the admission of Scholars, who are members of our Yearly Meeting, into this department, are One hundred Dollars per annum, exclusive of Books and Stationary, and no Scholar is admitted for a less term than one year, nor until permission shall have been granted for such admission by the sub-committee.

In reviewing the state of the School for the past year, the Committee have cause to acknowledge with thankfulness, that the Family and Scholars have been generally preserved in health.

Signed by appointment, and on behalf of the School Committee, held at Providence, 5th month 4th, 1832, by

MOSES BROWN,
ELIZABETH WING.

[Which Report was referred to the consideration of a Committee composed of Friends from each of the Quarterly Meetings, who at a subsequent sitting reported, that they had carefully considered the propositions relative to a periodical admission of Scholars, and the requisition that children be sent to the School for a term not less than six months, (unless under peculiar circumstances,) and were united in the opinion, that the adoption of these propositions will contribute to the advantage of the School, and not injuriously affect the convenience of parents. —Which being read and considered, the foregoing Report of the Boarding School Committee, was in conformity therewith accepted, and the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.]

The subject of the School having again been revived, the Clerk was directed to annex to the Report of the Committee now to be sent down, the following extracts from advices approved by this Meeting, in 1825, viz.

“The School Committee, in the discharge of the important trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, have found it necessary from time to time to recur to the great object, which the Yearly Meeting itself, as well as the Friends who have contributed to the funds of the Institution, have had in view in the establishment of the School, and which they think cannot be better expressed than in the language which accompanied the bequest of one of its early friends and most liberal benefactors; that our children and youth “may receive a religious guarded “education, free from the contaminating influence of the vain fashionable world, which leads young minds from the “simplicity of the truth, and that meek and quiet spirit exhibited by our blessed Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, “whom we profess to follow.”

It was in accordance with these views, that the Committee were induced, in the 2d month, 1819, soon after the School was in operation, to forward the following minute to the several Monthly Meetings, viz:

“It has appeared necessary, from experience derived since the opening of the Institution, that more general “circumspection should be extended in sending children to the School. And to preserve the order necessary to “carry the object of the Yearly Meeting into more complete effect, it is recommended that each Monthly Meeting “appoint a few suitable friends to whom [seasonable] application may be made by Parents or Guardians of Children who are desirous of placing them at the School; that the Friends so appointed consider it their duty not only “to enjoin that the children come in a plain dress, and in the use of the plain Scripture language, but that they are “of good habits; and that they give a few lines to that import, for the information of the Superintendents and Instructors at the School.

The Committee now feel it to be their duty to recommend to the Monthly Meetings a greater extension of care to these objects, and that the appointment of such Committees be revived by them, to act in connection with the members of this Committee, if any, who may reside within the limits of each Monthly Meeting.”

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.



Which have been read at that time, to our satisfaction and encouragement. The other extracts from said meeting, were read at that time. The Clerk is directed to forward Copies thereof to our several Monthly and Preparative meetings. Our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock being fifty six dollars and twenty five cents. The Clerk is directed to apportion the same, as usual. The substance of the minute in favor of our friend Elijah Kerrhall in the 11th mo. List is directed to be signed by the Clerk and forwarded to his respective meeting.

Our business being closed at that time, we conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at Dover in the 11th mo. next.

John Brown
Clerk

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At a Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at Dover 10th. month 25th. 1832. -

By accounts received from our Monthly Meetings, the representatives are for Dover Jonathan Dame, Stephen A. Chase & Oliver Thompson, for Berwick, Benajah Buffam, Joseph Brackett and Stephen Nichols; for Sandwich Cyrus Bedee, Moses Hoag and Paul H. Varney, who are all present. -

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed, the representatives propose Stephen A. Chase for clerk, and Ezra Meeder for an assistant clerk, they are accordingly appointed to that service the year ensuing. -

The Queries are read, with answers from the several Monthly Meetings to the first second and tenth Query. -

We have at this time the acceptable company of our friend David F. Knowles of Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting, State of Vermont. - His gospel labours among us, have been satisfactory. - He produced a certificate from Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting of their unity with him as a minister, and with his present engagement. - The clerk is directed to endorse the substance of the above minute upon his certificate and sign the same on our behalf. -

Our business having been gone through with at this time, we conclude, proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the first month next. -

Stephen A. Chase, clerk. -

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At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 24th of First Month 1833.-

Meetg.
present.

Accounts having been received from all our Monthly Meetings, it appears that the following friends have been appointed as representatives to this meeting viz. From Dover Eli Narvey, Timothy Hanson and Olney Thompson. From Berwick, Samuel Buffum, Benajah Buffum and William Hill. From Sandwich, Ezra Meeder, Benjamin Frye, and Enoch Hoag, who are all present.

Backhouse
present.

Having at this time the acceptable company of our esteemed friend Jonathan Backhouse of Great Britain, certificates from the Monthly Meeting of Darlington, held 27th. of 9th. month endorsed by the Quarterly Meeting of Durham held 2d. of 10th. month last, and from the morning meeting of ministers and elders, held in London 8th. of the same month, all expressive of their unity with his ministry and present religious engagement were read. - The gospel labours of this our dear friend in this meeting, have been to our satisfaction & encouragement.

Pinkham
present

We have also the acceptable company of our friend Thomas Pinkham from Wapalboro. Monthly Meeting, with a certificate of their unity with him in his present visit, dated 12th. month 19th. 1832. -

Nichols
present

John Nichols is also acceptably with us, in company with his wife with a certificate from Wapalboro. Monthly Meeting dated 12th. month 19th. 1832. -

queries
read.

The Queries are read, with the answers from our several Monthly Meetings, to the first, second and tenth Query. -

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G. Bean's
ministry
approved

It appears by the account from Dover Monthly Meeting that they have concurred with the recommendation of the Select Preparative Meeting by approving the public appearances in the ministry of Gideon Bean. - This meeting after solidly considering the subject, are united with them therein, having the concurrence of the women's Quarterly Meeting. And the clerk is directed to give the necessary information. -

J. Bedee
appointed
an Elder

It also appears by an extract from the minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meeting, that they have appointed Jonathan Bedee, to the station of an Elder. - This meeting, after solidly considering the subject, are united with them therein, having the concurrence of the women's Quarterly Meeting. And the clerk is directed to give the necessary information. -

A. Miller
present

Having at this time the acceptable company of our friend Abigail Miller, a certificate from Seabrook Monthly Meeting, held 1st. of 11th. month 1832, expressive of their unity with her ministry and present religious engagement was read. -

A. Nichols
present

Having also the acceptable company of our friend Abigail Nichols, a certificate from Napaalboro Monthly Meeting, held 12th. month 19. 1832 expressive of their unity with her ministry and present visit was read. -

M. B. Pinkham
present

Having also the acceptable company of our friend Mary B. Pinkham, who accompanies her husband Thomas Pinkham, a certificate from Napaalboro Monthly Meeting held 12th. month 19. 1832 expressive of their unity with her present engagement was read. -

Extracts from
minutes

The clerk is requested, to make all necessary extracts from the above minutes and sign them on our behalf. -

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Conclusion The business, claiming our attention at this time, being closed, we conclude, proposing to meet again at Dover, at the usual time in the 4th. month next. -

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk. -

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At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at Dover 25th. of 4th. Month 1833. -

So Meet^g Represent^{ts} Having received accounts from our several Monthly Meetings, the following friends appear to have been appointed as representatives to this meeting. - viz. from Dover Tobias Evans, Levi Sawyer & Stephen A. Chase; from Berwick, Joshua Meeder, Joseph Brackett and James Hulse; from Sandwich Benjamin Frye, William Hazeltine and Jeremiah Roberts. - who are present. -

Queries Read The Queries are read, with answers to them from our several Monthly Meetings - The following summary is intended to represent the state of our meeting, in the particulars embraced in the Queries; and the Clerk is desired to forward the same with our account, to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island; and we appoint our friends, Eli Varney, Benjamin Frye, John D. Lang and Stephen A. Chase to attend the Yearly Meeting as our representatives. -

Answers to the Queries

Answers to the Queries 1st. All our meetings are attended, those on first days generally by the greater part of friends. - Meetings in the middle of the week, much neglected by some of our members, in some meetings, and some care taken. - The hour generally observed. - Mostly clear of unbecoming behaviour

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when met, except a few instances of sleeping & some care taken:—

2d. Where appear but few instances among us, where love and unity are not in a good degree maintained, and in those cases of deficiency, some care has been taken. — There are instances where detraction has not been sufficiently guarded against, but care in this respect appears to prevail in the minds of most. — Some care taken to end differences. —

3d. — We believe that most of our members, endeavour to bring up those under their care, in a good degree of plainness, as it respects speech, behaviour and apparel, yet a deficiency is apparent in some among us in these respects. — Most friends are careful as it respects pernicious books, as far as appears, and are generally careful as it respects corrupt conversation, and to be exemplary herein themselves. — We believe the Holy scriptures are frequently read in most of our families. —

4th. — Generally careful in the several particulars of this query, except a few instances of frequenting places of public resort, and of using spirituous liquors, other than for medicine and some care taken

5th. Careful in these respects. —

6th. Careful, except a few instances of marrying out of our society and of keeping company in order for marriage with those who are not members, and some care taken. —

7th. No cause of complaint in these respects. —

8th. There is some deficiency in timely settling accounts. — In good measure careful in the other part. —

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9th. Some neglect in recording. - Careful in the other part, except a few instances of removals without certificates. -

10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders in a good measure as queried after; yet more timely and extensive care appears to be necessary. No cause of complaint as to placing judgment.

The Treasurer of this meeting is desired to pay our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of that meeting

Our esteemed friend Jonathan Backhouse, who attended our last Quarterly Meeting with certificates from the meetings to which he belongs in Great Britain, has since that time attended most of the meetings within our limits, and appointed divers with those not of our society - In all which his company and gospel labours, have been acceptable and satisfactory to friends. -

It appears by an extract of a minute from Berwick Monthly Meeting, that friends of that meeting request the assistance of the Quarterly Meeting in a case of difficulty. - Whereupon we appoint Joseph Varney of Woburn, Festus Varney, John Brown, Reuben Varney, William Hazeltine, Eli Varney & Stephen A. Chase to visit that Monthly Meeting and afford them such advice and assistance as the case may seem to require, and they shall be enabled to give. To report the result of their labours to this meeting.

By a late division of the town of Berwick into two separate towns, it appears that Friends Meeting House at which our Quarterly Meeting is held in the 8th. month, is now situated

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within the limits of the town of North Berwick and the Quarterly Meetings, hereafter to be held there, will therefore be held in North Berwick. - This information the Clerk is desired to forward to the Yearly Meeting. -

Conclusion The business claiming our attention at this time, being closed we conclude, proposing to meet again at North Berwick at the usual time in the 8th. month next. -

Stephen A. Chase, Clerk

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At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at North Berwick 22d. of eighth month 1833. -

Mo. Meetg.
Represent

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings, the representatives are, for Dover Timothy Hanson, Timothy Robinson and John Brown - for Berwick William Jepson, Joshua Meader and Pelatiah Hopper - for Sandwich Jonathan Beebe, Benjamin Frye & Ezra Meader, who are all present. -

Queries
Read. -

The Queries have been read in this meeting, with the required answers, from our several Monthly Meetings. -

Committee
to Visit Ber-
wick M. Meetg
Report

The Committee appointed to visit Berwick Monthly Meeting made the following report viz. - "To the ensuing Quarterly Meeting at North Berwick. - "We your committee appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting, on the subject of a request from Berwick Monthly Meeting for advice and assistance in a matter of difficulty, - report; that we have attended thereto, and

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"given such assistance as to us appeared
"necessary, which has been accepted and the
"difficulty removed.

"On behalf of the Committee, -

"North Berwick? (signed) Joseph Varney
"8th. mo. 21. 1833 } Reuben Varney."

Which being satisfactory to this meeting is
accepted, and the clerk is directed to furnish
Berwick Monthly Meeting with an extract of
the above minute, together with the report
of the committee. -

Our representatives appointed to
attend our last Yearly Meeting report
that they all attended. -

Received extracts from the minutes
of our last Yearly Meeting which have been
read at this time, and are as follows, viz.

"Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England
"Sixth Month - 1833.

"A concern for the more guarded and religious
"education of the children of Friends, and for
"The establishment of Libraries of Friends'
"Books, in the several Monthly Meetings, having
"been revived in this Meeting, and claimed
"its consideration, a lively interest was felt in
"regard to these subjects. -

"The attention of Friends was earnestly desired
"to the concern of establishing, in the several
"Monthly Meetings, one or more Libraries of the
"standard works of our Society, that Friends
"may at all times have access thereto, to the end
"that the consistency, truth and harmony of
"our Christian principles being known, the
"minds of Friends may become more and more
"established in them, and the unity of faith
"and doctrine, which it so much becomes us to

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"inculcate, may more and more abound. -
 "The provisions of our Discipline with respect to
 "education, and schools for the children of
 "Friends, were recommended to be revived in
 "our subordinate Meetings, and put in practice,
 "wherever Friends' circumstances will allow. -
 "And the clerk was directed to forward copies
 "of this minute to our several Quarterly
 "and Monthly Meetings. -

"It was recommended, that all certificates of
 "Removal, issued by our Monthly Meetings, be
 "signed by the clerks of both the Men's & Women's
 "Meeting. - And that this conclusion be entered
 "in our books of Discipline. - Which the clerk
 "was directed to forward as above. -

"From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting
 (Signed) A. Shearman, Jr. Clerk."

Report
of Y. Meetg.
Board of
School-
Committee

Likewise the report of the Boarding School
 Committee has been received and read, and is
 as follows viz. -

"At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England,
 "held on Rhode Island, - Sixth Month, 1833. -

"The annual report of the Boarding School Committee
 "was laid before the Meeting, and after a free dis-
 "cussion of its contents, the propositions therein
 "submitted for consideration, were agreed to, and
 "the report accepted; and the Clerk was directed
 "to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly
 "and Monthly Meetings. -

"From the minutes of said Meeting

(Signed) Abraham Shearman, Jr. Clerk

"To the Yearly Meeting, to be held on Rhode Island
 "in the sixth month next. - The Boarding School
 "committee report, that they have during the
 "past year, given attention to the various concerns
 "of the institution, and that they have been con-

ducted, in good degree to their satisfaction. Meetings
"have been regularly kept up, and harmony has
"been preserved. — The average number of scholars
"during the year, has been one hundred & seventy two.
"The school is continued under the immediate
"care of Enoch and Lydia Breed, as superintendents,
"in which capacity they are assisted by Stephen
"& Hannah Gould. — Moses A. Bartland, Pliny
"Earle, jun. and Jonathan Slocum, are employed
"as Teachers in the Boys' school; and Deborah
"Ramsdell, — Mary H. Griscom, Caroline Bartland,
"and Martha Barker, in the girls'. — The latter
"of whom, for six months, rendered gratuitous
"service to the Institution. — Samuel J. Gummere
"continues to have charge of the department for
"languages, &c. — It having long been believed by
"the Committee, that the School might be improved,
"and its advantages to the children greatly enhanced,
"by having some person employed to superintend
"its literary concerns, who, by his experience in the
"business of teaching, and by his acquirements,
"would be qualified to render advice to the teachers,
"to examine the scholars in their several studies, &
"to extend an immediate supervisory care over
"every department of the school — With this belief, in
"the 12th. month last, our friend John Griscom, from
"New York was introduced into the institution, & the
"services he has rendered in the manner above speci-
"fied; and by lecturing on different subjects, have
"been satisfactory to us, and we believe have tended
"in various ways to the essential improvement of
"the scholars. — By settling the accounts it appears
"that at the present prices for board & tuition, the
"income will not meet the expenditures of the school.
"The committee after maturely weighing the subject,
"have concluded to propose to the Yearly Meeting

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Boarding
School.

"that after the first of eighth month next, members
"of society, of this Yearly Meeting, be received for
"fifteen dollars per quarter; and that those who
"are not members of society, but who have one or
"both parents members, be received for twenty two
"and a half dollars per quarter; and should any
"who are not thus connected with Friends be
"received, that the price be thirty dollars per
"quarter; and to those who are admitted into the
"school for languages, &c. and that to members of
"other Yearly Meetings, the price be continued as
"heretofore; - And that the privilege of sending
"one child, six months, free of expense, be exten-
"ded to each Monthly Meeting as last year. -

"Altho' by this arrangement, the expense to parents
"who place their children in this Institution will
"be a little augmented, still the Committee have
"confidence in believing that there will be ample
"remuneration in the increased advantages
"the school now presents for the improvement of
"the scholars. - In the seventh month of last
"year, in consequence of the appearance of the
"cholera in our country, and the effect produced
"upon the minds of the children by the approach
"of this fearful malady, it was deemed most
"prudent, under the advisement of the meeting
"for sufferings, to vacate the school for a season. -

"It was not considered best to reassemble the scholars
"until the tenth month, when the school was again
"opened, and those who had left generally returned.
"Although during the past year the visitations of
"sickness and death have been many in our
"country, and we have not wholly escaped, yet we
"feel bound, thankfully to commemorate the
"preservation that has been extended to us, by

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"Him, from whom are all our sure mercies
 "Signed by direction, and on behalf of the
 "Committee, by William Jenkins, clerk".-
 "Yearly Meeting Boarding School
 "Providence, 5th. mo. 3d. 1833."

Wing
represent.

Our esteemed friend Elizabeth Wing, has attended this meeting and produced a minute of concurrence from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting, held at Newport 7th. mo. 25. 1833 - Her company and gospel labours have been satisfactory to us. -

Conclusion

Our business being closed at this time, we conclude purposing to meet again at Dover, at the usual time in the 10th. month next. -

(Signed) Ezra Meader, Assistant clerk

Tenth Month 1833.

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends holden at Dover 24th. of Tenth Month 1833.

From the accounts which have been received from our several Monthly Meetings it appears that the following friends are appointed as representatives to this meeting. - viz. from Dover Stephen A. Chase, John Brown and Joseph Tuttle; from Berwick Joseph D. Hoag, James Hussey and John D. Lang; from Sandwich, Joshua Hoag, Benjamin Frye, and Samuel Scribner; who are all present. -

As Meets
represent.

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed - The representatives propose the appointment of the present clerks, to serve the meeting for this time, which being approved, they are accordingly so appointed. -

Clerks for
the time
appointed

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Wm Evans
present

Having at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friend William Evans from Philadelphia, a certificate from the Monthly Meeting of Friends in that city for the Southern District dated 31st of seventh month; and from a Quarterly Meeting of Friends held in Philadelphia 5th. of eighth month last - both expressive of their unity with him as a minister of the Gospel and with his present religious engagement are read. And this meeting being informed that the services of our friend in this Quarterly Meeting are nearly accomplished, he having attended all the meetings hereto belonging; and his gospel labours amongst us having been sound and edifying, the clerk is directed to forward to the Monthly Meeting to which he belongs an extract of the above minute. -

J. Snowdon
present

Having also the acceptable company of our friend Joseph Snowdon, companion to William Evans, an extract from the minutes of the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia for the Northern District, expressive of their unity with his present engagement is read; - and he having acceptably accompanied William Evans in his visit to all the meetings belonging hereto, the clerk is directed to forward to the Monthly Meeting to which he belongs an extract of the above minute. -

Queries
Read -

The queries are read - and the answer to the first, second & tenth received from our several monthly meetings - and friends minds being introduced measurably into exercise on account of various deficiencies therein brought to view, much pertinent counsel and advice was given, tending to stir up friends minds

to more diligence in the performance of their several religious duties. -

Wing's
services

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Wing having attended our last Quarterly Meeting, with a certificate from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting expressive of their unity with her ministry and then present engagement, and since that time having visited nearly all our constituent meetings - Her gospel labours among us have been to the satisfaction of friends - The clerk is directed to forward to Rhode Island Monthly Meeting an extract from the above minutes

Meetings
Stock.

By an extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting it appears, that that Meeting concluded to raise the sum of Nine hundred dollars as stock. - This meeting's proportion of which being fifty six dollars twenty five cents the clerk is directed to apportion to our monthly Meetings as usual.

Conclusion

Having conducted the affairs which have come before us at this time to a satisfactory result, we conclude, proposing to meet again at Sandwich, at the usual time in the first month next. -

Stephen A. Chase, clerk. -

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A Dover quarterly meeting of Friends
held at Sandwich 1st mo 23^d 1834

By accounts received from our several
monthly meetings the presentations
are for Dover Eli Varney Ebenezer
Harrison and Timothy Hanson
for Berwick John & Lang James
Bushman and Benajah Bushman
for Sandwich William Hazeltine
John Varney and John Talbarn
who are all present —

The time for which the Clerks were
appointed having expired the Pres-
entatives Joshua Ezra Meader
for Clerk and Eli Varney for assistant
which being satisfactorily to this meeting
they are appointed for the ensuing
year —

The Minutes with the required answers
from our several monthly meetings
have been read at this time —

We have at this time the acceptable com-
pany of our esteemed friend Valentine
Meader who has produced a minute of
commencement from Vassalborough monthly
meeting held at East Pond 11th mo 20th 1833
which has been read at this time he has
likewise attended most of the meetings
constituting thus and his Gospel Tabernacle
have been satisfactory —

We have likewise the acceptable company
of our friend Edmond Whitehouse who has
produced a minute of commencement from
Vassalborough monthly meeting he has
likewise in company with our aforesaid
friend satisfactorily attended most of the
meetings constituting thus And the Clerk
is directed to furnish them with an extract
from the above minutes

Eli Varney Benajah Bushman Timothy Hanson
Jesse Meabents John Talbarn Joseph Varney
of Woburn, Mass and Joseph Meader and
William Hill are appointed to visit
each of our members who are suspected

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of going backward in their worldly estate
and afford them such advice as their
circumstances may require agreeable
to our discipline — —

The business of our meeting being
accomplished at this time we conclude
proposing to meet again at Dover at
the usual time in the 2nd month next.

Erva Meador Clerk

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At Dover quarterly of Friends held at
Dover 4th mo 24th 1834

By accounts received from our several
monthly meetings the Representatives
are for Dover Joseph Tuttle Tobias Cowan
and Eli Varney for Berwick & Andrew
Austin Joseph L. Haug & Stephen Nichols
for Sandwich. William Hazeltine kindly
Mr Haug and Jonathan Beede who are present
We have read the Records with the answers
thereto from our several monthly meetings
from which the following Summary is
prepared for the ensuing Yearly meeting

1st At our meeting are attended those
on first day ~~and~~ generally by the greater
part of Friends, meeting on the middle
of the week much neglected by some of
our members & some late takers. The hour
generally observed by most, & mostly free
-service from sleeping and other unbecom-
ing behavior when met — —

2^d We believe most friends are preserved
in love and unity but some appear not
sufficiently careful to maintain them.
Dissension we believe is generally guarded
against by most careful as to differences

3^d We believe most friends are concerned
to bring up those under their discipline
in kindness and are exhorting them
to settle yet differences are now apparent

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in some among us in these respects. We believe friends are generally careful in regard to the reading of pernicious books. Convent conversation generally guarded against. The Holy Scriptures are frequent-ly read in most friends families —

4th Mostly careful in the several particulars of this query, except a few instances of using profane language other than for medicine and at frequenting places of public resort and some care taken —

5th Careful in these respects —

6th Mostly careful in these respects except one instance of marrying out and a few instances of keeping company out society on that account —

7th Clear as far as appear except one instance of going into the train band and some care taken —

8th We believe friends are generally careful in these respects except a few instances of deficiencies and some care taken —

9th Mostly careful as to recording care-ful as to certificates except a few instances —

10th Some care has been taken to deal with offenders measurably as queried after no complaint as to placing judgment

We appoint Lindey, William, Eli Barney Joshua Meader John Bang & Stephen

I have to attend the ensuing Yearly meeting as the presentation —

The church is directed to forward with the account from this to the Yearly meeting extracts from the minutes of this meeting which I understand the reception of the communications received from that meeting the past year —

Benajah Buffum is appointed Treasurer to this meeting the ensuing year

The business of our meeting being accom-plished at this time we conclude to adjourn to meet again at North Benning at the usual time in the 8th or next

James Meader Clerk

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c Dover quarterly meeting of
friends held at North Berwick
8th mo. 28th 1834

By accounts received from our several
monthly meetings the representations
are for Dover John Brown Stephen &
Chase & Nicholas, Josiah for Berwick
Joshua Meader Ezra Allen & Isaac
Barney & Richard Eastman for Sandwich
John Haag Benjamin Tany & Thomas
Clynes who are all present —

The Quereis have been read in
this meeting with required answers
from our several monthly meetings
Shewed the following minute from
Dover monthly meeting viz.

To the quarterly meeting to be held
at North Berwick the 28th instant.

It is the conclusion of friends of Dover
monthly meeting held at Dover 23^d of 7th mo
1834 that Dover monthly meeting of friends
in future from that time be held as follows
viz. at Dover in the second fourth sixth
eighth tenth & twelfth months at Machu-
ster in first third seventh & eleventh
month and at Gilmanston on the fifth
and ninth months — That the monthly
meeting at Dover in the eighth month
be holden on the third day of that week
in which the quarterly meeting is holden

Extracted from the minutes of Dover
monthly meeting of 7th mo 1834 By de-
cision of Dover monthly meeting of friends
held at Dover 8th mo. 26th 1834

Joseph Tuttle Clerk

After a time of consideration on the
subject we advise that meeting to hold
their meetings as before the alteration
specified in the aforesaid minute And the
Clerk is directed to furnish Dover month-
ly meeting with an extract from the
above minute

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We have received thirteen copies of the extracts from the minutes of our last Yearly meeting one of which has been read at this time and they are directed to be distributed to our several monthly meetings --

We have likewise received 12 copies of the report of the Boarding School Committee one of which has been read to our satisfaction they are likewise directed to be distributed to several monthly meetings --

By a minute received from our last Yearly meeting it appears that the meeting proportion of Yearly meeting Stock for the ensuing year is \$68-75 which is directed to be apportioned to our several monthly meetings as heretofore.

Our esteemed friends Daigan and Aseneth Clark has attended this meeting and produced certificates from Marlborough monthly meeting held in Randolph County North Carolina 8th mo 1833 and endorsed by Southern Yearly meeting held in the aforesaid county 2d th of 8th mo 1833 and have likewise produced certificates from the Yearly meeting of Ministers & Elders held at New Garden Sp. Ford County N.C. all expressive of their Unity and Sympathy with them in their present religious engagements to

Their company and Gospel labors have been to our satisfaction. Also our esteemed friend Deborah Cooper has joined to our aforesaid friend Aseneth Clark has attended this meeting and produced a minute of concurrence from Birmingham monthly meeting Chester County State of Pennsylvania held 4th mo 2^d 1834. Her company has been satisfactory unto us --

Our esteemed friend Moses H. Beede has attended this meeting and produced a copy of a minute from Salem monthly meeting held at Lynn 14th of 8th mo 1834 expressive of their Unity with him in his present religious engagements. His company and Gospel labors have been acceptable to us --

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,
Sixth Month, 1834.

The Annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to this Meeting, copies thereof were directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

During the consideration of the Report, a deep feeling of interest for the best welfare of the Institution was spread over the Meeting ; and while the benefits that have already resulted from it, to the children and youth of the Society, were freely acknowledged, an earnest solicitude was expressed, that the Committee, in the discharge of the important and arduous trust confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, may be encouraged steadily to keep in view the great objects which led to the establishment of the School, as a means for promoting the acquisition of useful learning, in connexion with the moral and religious improvement of the Children, consistently with the principles and testimonies which we as a Society believe ourselves called upon to maintain.

The recommendation of the Committee relative to plainness and simplicity of attire, was cordially united with; the Committees of Monthly Meetings were encouraged to extend an increasing care in this respect; and Parents and others having the charge of Children, were impressively exhorted to lend their assistance in promoting this desirable object.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE BOARDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORT, That they have endeavoured to discharge the services confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, during the past year, in attending to the various concerns of the Institution ; which have been conducted to a good degree of satisfaction.

Meetings have been regularly continued, and harmony has been preserved. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and sixty-eight ; seventeen of whom have been pupils in the department of the School for instruction in Languages, &c. The School is continued under the immediate superintendence of ENOCH and LYDIA BREED, in which capacity they are assisted by STEPHEN and HANNAH GOULD. JOHN GRISCOM is still usefully employed to superintend the literary department of the Institution. MOSES A. CARTLAND, PLINY EARL and JONATHAN SLOCUM are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School ; and DEBORAH RAMSDALL, MARY H. GRISCOM, CAROLINE CARTLAND, MARTHA BARKER and ANNA T. LOCKWOOD in the Girls'. JAMUEL J. GUMMERE is continued in charge of the department for Languages, &c.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled ; and the Committee propose that the terms of admission be continued the same as last year ; and that the privilege of sending one child, six months, *free of expense*, be continued to Monthly Meetings. Friends are requested not to neglect the established regulation of the School, that the expense of *each* quarter be paid in *advance*.

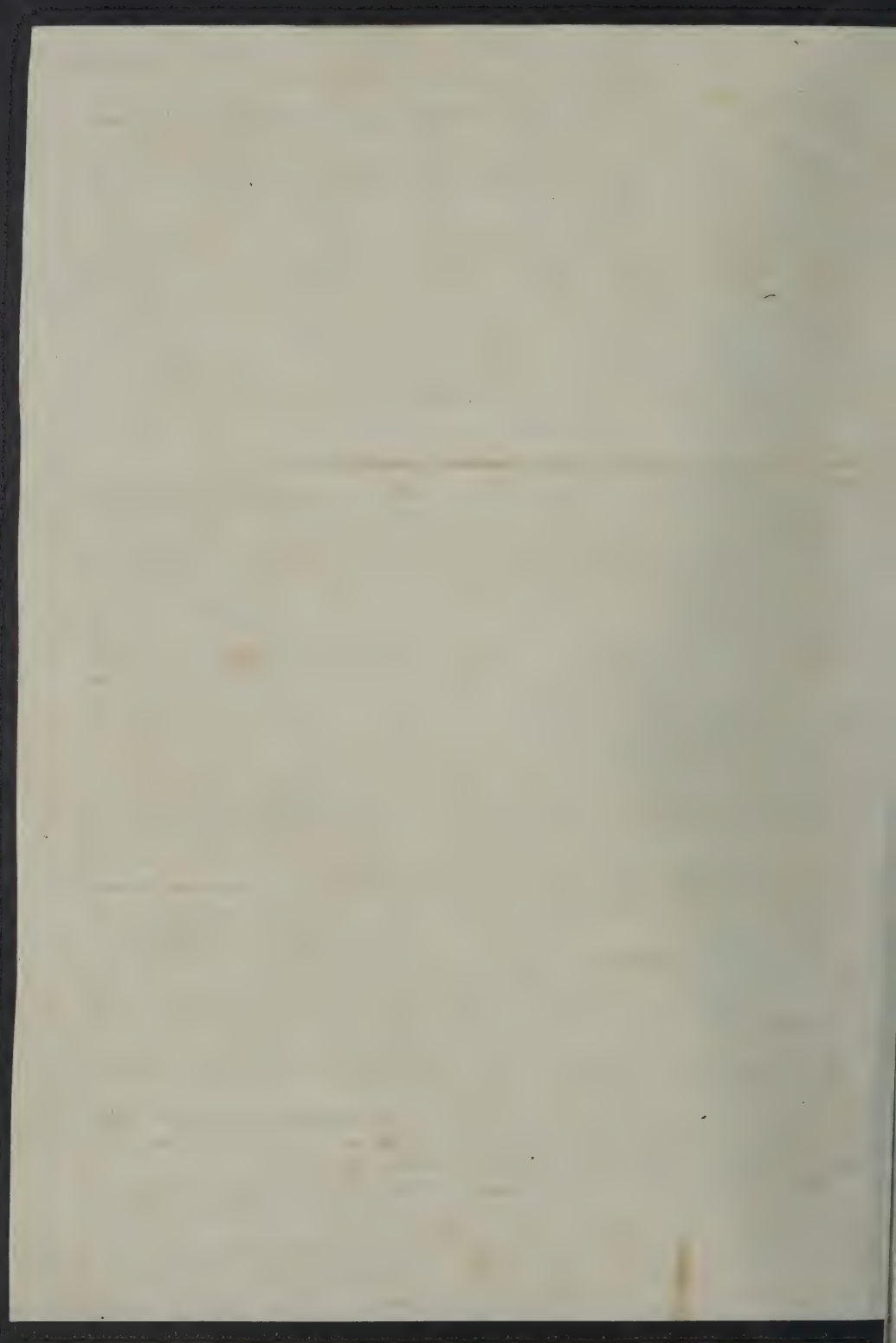
The Committee believe it proper again to recommend to Friends, in sending their Children to the School, to observe, as much as may be, the periods of time proposed two years since, viz. at the time of our Yearly Meeting, or in the first week of the second, fifth, eighth and eleventh months.

The importance of maintaining plainness of dress in the inmates of this Institution, has often claimed the serious attention of the Committee ; and we think it right at this time to revive with Friends the necessity of having their children habited in plain attire, and that no articles of apparel, unsuitable through want of plainness, be brought by them to the School. And that the Committees of Monthly Meetings may be enabled to render the necessary advice and assistance, Friends are requested to be careful to make application to them for certificates, in sufficient season to afford them this opportunity.

In reviewing the state of the School for the past year, we feel bound gratefully to acknowledge, that the family and scholars have been preserved in health ; and that the Institution continues to afford encouraging evidence of its usefulness to the youth of our Society.

Signed on behalf of the School Committee, at a Meeting held 2d of 5th month, 1834,

WILLIAM JENKINS, Clerk.



At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, Sixth Month, 1834.

The subject of the guarded, literary and religious instruction of the children and youth of the Society, having again been feelingly adverted to, claimed the solid consideration of the Meeting; and the importance of being possessed of a more intimate knowledge of the present state of Education among Friends, in the various sections of this Yearly Meeting, being generally felt, a Committee was appointed, to unite with a Committee of the Women's Meeting, in considering the subject, and to report thereon at a future sitting.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee introduced the following minutes of advice to subordinate Meetings; which being deliberately considered, were adopted, the Women's Meeting uniting therein, and the Clerk was directed to forward a sufficient number of copies thereof to our several Quarterly Meetings, for the supply of each Monthly and Preparative Meeting, within their respective limits; and also the necessary forms for the returns proposed to be made to this Meeting.

From the Minutes of the Yearly Meeting.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr. Clerk.

THE interesting concerns of Education having renewedly claimed the weighty deliberation of the Yearly Meeting, it is the earnest desire of the body thus assembled, that Friends may endeavor, wherever it is practicable, to establish select Schools within their Preparative or Monthly Meetings, (to be taught by exemplary members of our Society,) in which the children of Friends may be exempt from the dangers arising from improper associations, and moral and religious principles, in conformity to our Christian profession, be duly inculcated; the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament be daily read; and such improved methods of instruction be adopted, as will best promote their advancement in useful learning. These Schools should be visited monthly, or oftener, by Committees of men and women Friends appointed by the Meeting, before whom the Children should be exercised in the several branches taught in the School. And in those places where it appears to be impracticable to establish Preparative or Monthly Meeting Schools, it is desired that Friends may endeavor to institute Family Schools, in which the Children of one or more Families may daily assemble for literary instruction, by some Teacher qualified to impart it. And Friends are every where desired to exercise a becoming liberality in providing Teachers and means of instruction in all their Schools.

To keep alive a concern of such vital importance to our social and religious welfare, and that the Yearly Meeting may be furnished with correct information relative thereto, Preparative Meetings are directed to transmit to their respective Monthly Meetings, a statement of the number of Children within their limits, agreeably to the subjoined Queries, and insert their answers in the several columns of the form accompanying; which returns are to be forwarded by the Monthly to the Quarterly Meetings; and a condensed statement of the facts thus collected, to be prepared by the Clerks of the Quarterly Meetings, or by a Committee appointed for that purpose, and forwarded with their next annual accounts to this Meeting.

Queries to be answered by the Preparative Meetings.

1st. What number of Children are there in your Meeting, of an age suitable for instruction, at School, say from *four to twenty-one* years of age? Distinguishing between male and female, and also distinguishing between those *under* the age of *fourteen*, and those *over* that age.

2d. What number of Children have been actually at School within the year? Distinguishing between male and female, and also between those under fourteen, and those over that age.

3d. What number of Schools have been kept under the care of Friends, in your Meeting, during the past year? Distinguishing between Preparative Meeting, Monthly Meeting and Family Schools.

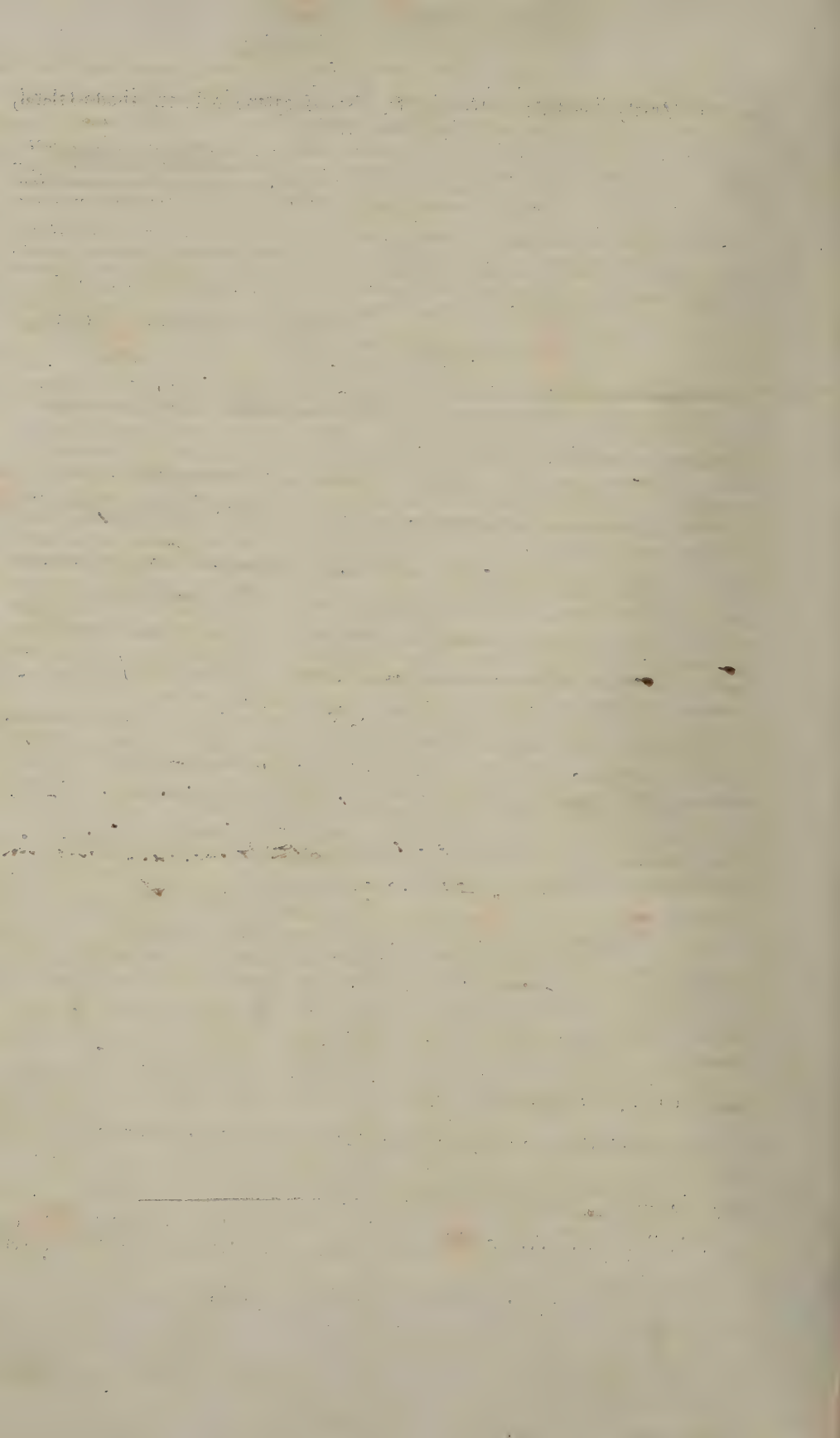
4th. What has been the average duration of the Schools under the care of Friends, within the year?

5th. What number of Teachers have been employed in *these* Schools, within the year? Distinguishing between male and female Teachers.

6th. What number of Children are there in your Meeting who have attended District or mixed Schools? Distinguishing between male and female, and also between those under the age of fourteen, and those over that age.

7th. Is there care taken that the Books used in the Schools under the care of Friends, in the several departments taught in the Schools, are judiciously selected.

[Our Preparative Meetings are requested to prepare Answers to these Queries, in sufficient season for such Answers to be forwarded to the Quarterly Meetings that will be held in the fourth and fifth months, next year.]



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The business of our meeting being accomplished
at this time we conclude proposing to meet again
at Dover at usual time in the 1st month next

Ezra Meader Clerk

Ninth month 1834

At Dover quarterly ^{meeting of} friends held at Dover 10th
mo 23rd 1834

By accounts received from our several monthly
meetings the representatives are for Dover Joseph
Guttle Eli Barney & John Meader for Brunswick
William Hill Elijah Pratt & Stephen Rich for
Sandwich Benjamin Gage Aaron Hazen & Joshua
Kane who are all present -

The queries have been read in this meeting
with the accepted answers from our several monthly
meetings

By a minute received from Dover monthly
meeting we are informed that friends of that
meeting have become united in approving the
public appearances of Olney Thompson in the
ministry after a time of solid consideration
thereon. This meeting with the concurrence of
the workers meeting writes thereunto and the
Church is directed to give the necessary informa-
tion

The Church is directed to forward extracts from
the minutes of our last meeting in favor of
our friend Baugan & beneath Church

likewise an extract from the minutes of last
meeting in favor of our friend Hebard & Co

The Church is also directed to forward to Salem
monthly meeting an extract from the minutes
of our last meeting in favor of our friend
Moses H. Bedee -

Our business being accomplished at this
time we conclude proposing to meet again
at Sandwich at the usual time in the 1st mo.
next

Ezra Meader Clerk

First month 1835

A Dover quarterly meeting of Friends
held at Sandwich Nov. 22^d 1835

The accounts received from our several
Monthly meetings the Acknowledgments
appointed to attend this meeting are
for Dover Timothy Hanson & Emily Thompson
& Eli Barney for Berwick James Mussey
Benajah Buzzum & William Hill for Sandwich
John Taborn Eliza Beede & Ezra Meader
who are all present —

The time for which the friends were
appointed acting as stewards the representatives
Joseph Ezra Meader for clerk and Eli
Barney for assistant clerk which being
satisfactory to the meeting they are accordingly
re-appointed for the ensuing year —

The Queries have been read in this
meeting with the required answers received
from our monthly meeting —

This meeting with the concurrence of
the women's meeting knits with the pro-
posal of Berwick monthly meeting in
altering the time of holding said meeting
from the sixth day of the week to the fifth —

Our esteemed friend Joseph Beede has
attended this meeting and produced a minute
of concurrence from Salem monthly meeting
in company and Joseph Taborn have been
satisfactory to us —

Benajah Buzzum, Nicholas Jones
& Eli Barney are appointed to take such
care as the circumstances of the case may
require in relation to kindred at Haage
proposed visit to friends at New York
Ohio & Indiana Yearly meetings and some
parts of Philadelphia & Baltimore Yearly
meetings —

Our esteemed friend Hiram Miller has
attended this meeting and produced a certificate
of concurrence from Lebanon monthly meeting
in company and Joseph Taborn have
been satisfactory to us —

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As our green. Oliver Thompson in company with our apostolic friend has attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Sabbath monthly meeting his company has been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend Hannah H. B. B. has attended this meeting and I received a letter from her in which she says she has attended the monthly meeting and was very much edified. She says she has attended most of the meetings and that the and gospel labours have been satisfactory to us. She also says that her friend Abigail H. B. has attended this meeting as companion and has noticed a revival of religion since from the monthly meeting. She also says she is in company with her friends frequent attenders most of the meetings and that they are very much edified and that the and gospel labours have been to our satisfaction.

Richards has returned from a long stay in Europe, and has attended this meeting, in most of the meetings constituting the ~~present~~ ^{present} year. He has indicated a minute of conference for March, and a monthly meeting for conference in each of the months from September to March. The clerk is directed to make all unnecessary extracts from the foregoing minutes. — 51

Our beloved friend William L. Haas, I met
before this meeting & some who were with him
a considerable time visited on his mind to perform
a religious visit to friends & to see if he had
any of the Ten Tribes & Indian people
and some of the meetings and some of the
and Galatians. He is meeting with a
time of his consideration is much to
and he is left at liberty to pursue his travels
as best wisdom may direct. He being minister
on earth with us and the Lord is blessed
to endorse the substance of the above account
the Lord is blessed with his presence and
speaking and is at one with the meeting.

The Towns of our meeting being broken up
- about this time we concluded - after a short
- again at Barre at the next time in the
- 4th year - at
Isaac Leach

Fourth month 1835

At Dover quarterly meeting of Friends
held at Dover 4th mo. 23^d 1835

My accounts received from our several month
ly meetings. The representatives appointed to attend
this meeting are for Dover Olney Monrosee
Gabins Evans & Ina Little for Berwick John
Header, Ruth Breckell & Joseph S. Haaz
for Sandwich Joseph Cannon of Walsborough
Jonathan Beede & Joshua Haaz - who are all
present -

The Quences have been read in this meet-
ing with numerous thanks received from our
monthly meetings a summary of which is
prepared for the Yearly meeting and we app-
-oint for representatives thereof John S. Haaz
Joshua Header John Brown & John Header
of Berwick -

In answer to 1st Query - Our meetings are
attended and generally by most friends yet
there there is a neglect in many more partic-
-ularly on the middle of the week and than for
discipline. We have generally observed
no unbecoming behavior appears in them
except some instances of sleeping -

Ans 2^d Love and Unity are in a good degree
maintained among us though not without
exceptions in few instances. Most friends we
believe are careful to guard against Seduction
yet some are not sufficiently careful in this respect
Some care taken to end differences -

Ans 3^d It appears that most friends are careful
to bring up those under their care in Plain-
ness and are exemplary themselves yet there
is a want of due care in their respects in
some instances We know of no pernicious
books read amongst us. The Holy Scriptures
are frequently read in friends families

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Ans 4th We believe our members are careful in the several particulars of this query except a few instances of using spirituous liquor other than for medicine and of frequenting places of public resort and some care taken —

Ans 5th Careful as far as appears except one instance of playing out from among friends —

Ans 6th Generally careful except a few instances of sneering out and some care taken

Ans 7th Careful as far as appears except three instances of being concerned in military matters and some care taken

Ans 8th Generally careful in the several particulars of every —

Ans 9th Mostly careful as to recording the other part there was a few instances of removing without certificates —

Ans 10th Some care has been taken to deal with offenders altho we believe there has been instances of delay in timely dealing no complaint as it regards placing judgment —

We have received from our monthly meeting answers to the queries proposed by our last yearly meeting relative to the subject of Sabbath a condensed statement of which answers the Clerk is directed to forward to our next yearly meeting

We have received the following communication from Dover monthly meeting viz

This meeting meets in preparing to the yearly meeting that Dover monthly meeting hereafter be held as it regard time and place in the following order viz at Dover on the 2^d 4th 5th 8th 10th 11th 12th months at Rochester on the 1st 3rd 4th 11th months at Ypsamonton in 7th & 9th months and at each place to be holden on the 1st day of the week except that at Dover in the 8th there which we propose to be holden on the 3rd day of that week on which the quarterly meeting falls in said 8th month —

In behalf of Dover monthly meeting of friends at Dover 4th mo 13th 1835 Jas^l Little Clerk

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With which this meeting unites the women's meeting concerning themselves and the clerk is directed to furnish that monthly meeting with an extract from the above minute — —

By a minute from Dover monthly meeting we are informed that Abner Plaskie has appeared to this meeting, from the judgment of that Abie appoint William Hill, Joshua Meader Isaac Vanney Joseph Vanney of Wilkeson and Jonathan Trede to meet the appellant with a committee appointed by said monthly meeting examine the case and report to next meeting —

Received 300 copies of the London general Epistle for 1834 which are directed to be forwarded to the monthly meeting by the representatives

Joshua Meader is appointed Treasurer for this meeting the ensuing year —

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly meeting Stock to the Yearly meeting Treasurer — —

The committee appointed at last meeting relative to ~~the~~ Lindsey M. Haag; proposed visit report they have taken such care in the case as appeared to them necessary — —

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude postponing to meet again at Fourth Berwick at the usual time in the 8th mo next — —

Joshua Meader Clerk

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A Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held
at North Berwick 8th mo 27th 1835 —

By accounts received from our several monthly meetings the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover Nicholas Jones Eli Barney & Timothy Hanson for Berwick William Hill Daniel Page and Stephen Jenkins for Sandwich Ezra Meader Joseph Barney of Middleboro & John Folsom who are all present except one

The Minutes have been read in this meeting with the required answers from our several monthly meetings.

Those appointed to attend our last Yearly meeting as the representatives from this meeting report they all attended —

The committee appointed in the case of Imos Foster's appeal from the judgment of Dover monthly meeting made the following report viz.

To the Quarterly meeting

The your committee on the appeal of Imos Foster from the judgment of Dover monthly meeting have attended to our appointment and after hearing the parties are of opinion that the judgment of Dover monthly meeting in that case ought to be confirmed.

North Berwick 8th mo 27th 1835

Jonathan Beebe
Joseph Barney
Joshua Meader
Ezra Barney
William Hill

Which being sent with as accepted and the judgment of said monthly meeting accordingly confirmed and Ezra Barney & Nicholas Jones are appointed to inform him thereof and report to next meeting. And the Clerk is directed to furnish Dover monthly meeting with an extract from the above minute.

The Epistle from our last Yearly meeting has been read in this meeting to our satisfaction Several copies thereof being received they are directed to be distributed to our several monthly meetings.

In likewise a number of copies of the report of the Boarding School committee have been received which are directed to be forwarded in like manner —

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,
from the 14th to the 19th inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1835.

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, copies thereof were directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, JUN. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE Boarding School Committee report, That they have endeavoured for the past year to discharge the duties committed to them in attending to the various concerns of the Institution, which have been conducted to a good degree of satisfaction. In doing this they have not been unmindful of the objects Friends have had in view in the establishment of the School, and of the wishes of its benevolent donors.

Meetings have been regularly kept up, and harmony has been preserved. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and forty-three, eleven of whom have been pupils in the department for languages, &c.

Our friends SETH and MARY DAVIS, of Dartmouth, have been engaged as Superintendents of the School, to supply the place of our friends ENOCH and LYDIA BREED, who have acceptably served us in that capacity for the past eleven years, and now wish to be released. Our friend JOHN GRISCOM has continued his services in the Institution during the past year, but his engagement will terminate the first of seventh month next. ISAAC HATHAWAY is employed as a book-keeper, and care-taker of the Boys, out of school hours; and CHRISTINA GALE has charge of the sewing-school, and is care-taker of the Girls, out of school hours.

PLINY EARLE, JONATHAN SLOCUM, GEORGE W. READ and LOUIS COOK, are engaged as Teachers in the Boys' school, and MARY-ANN BARKER, MARTHA BARKER and EMELINE ALDRICH in the Girls'. SAMUEL J. GUMMERE having left the Institution, the instruction in the Languages will be continued under the care of GEORGE W. READ; and it is proposed for the future, instead of the terms heretofore established, that *five dollars per quarter* be charged for the study of the Languages, in addition to the ordinary price for scholars in the other branches of study.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled, from which it appears, that the receipts of the School from the funds and the amount paid for scholars, have about met the expenses; and the Committee consequently propose, that the terms for board, tuition, &c. be continued the same as last year; and that the privilege of sending one child six months, free of expense, be continued to each Monthly Meeting. Friends are requested not to neglect the established regulation of the School, that the expense of *each quarter* be paid in advance, inasmuch as inconvenience and loss have resulted from the neglect of this rule.

The Committee deem it proper again to recommend to Friends, that in sending their children to the School, the period of time proposed three years ago may be observed, as far as practicable, viz. at the time of our Yearly Meeting, and in the first weeks of the 2d, 5th, 8th and 11th months.

In reviewing the past year, in relation to this Institution, we feel that we have cause gratefully to acknowledge the preservation extended to us, under which the School has continued to be conducted, we trust, to the benefit of many of the youth of our Society.

By direction and on behalf of the Committee,

ARNOLD CONGDON, Clerk.

YEARLY MEETING BOARDING SCHOOL, 5th mo. 8, 1835.

At the Yearly Meeting aforesaid,

The Committee on the subject of Education produced the following Report, viz.

"The Committee on Education have taken into consideration the important subject referred to them. The religious and guarded education of our children and youth appears to be increasingly claiming the serious concern of Friends, and it is much desired that the provisions of our Discipline upon the subject of Education may be revived in Friends' minds, and put in practice wherever it may be practicable.

The institution of Family Schools is considered by the Committee a very interesting subject; and we desire that Friends may be encouraged to keep alive a concern for their establishment, as way may open for it.

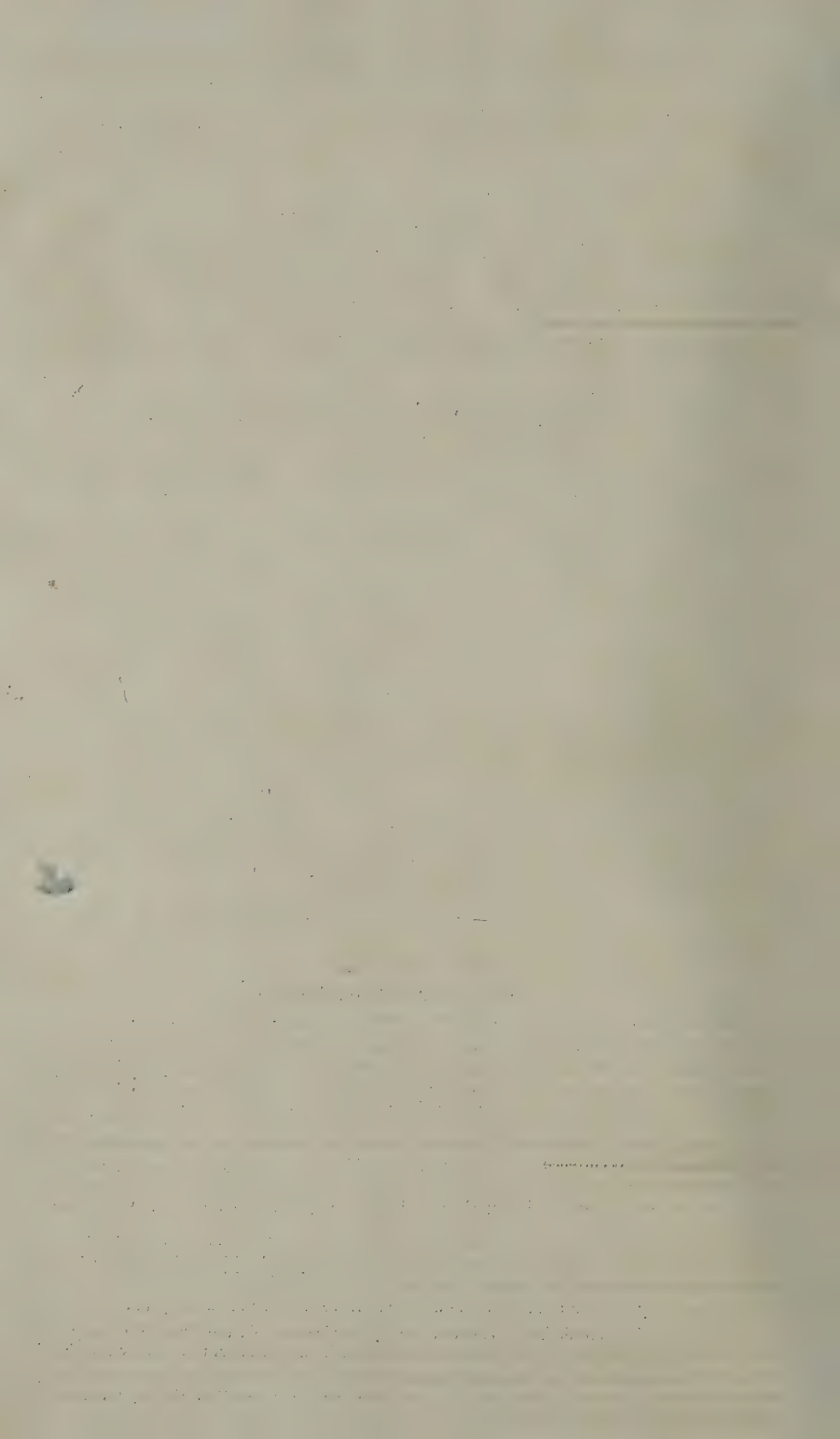
We propose the following Queries for the consideration of the Yearly Meeting, to be sent down to our subordinate Meetings:

1. How many Schools are there within your limits, under the care of Friends, (distinguishing between Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting and Family Schools)—and what has been the average duration of these Schools during the year?

2. How many children of Friends have attended Friends' Schools within the year?

Monthly Meetings are desired to answer these Queries in season for the Spring Quarterly Meetings, and the Quarterly Meetings are desired to transmit their answers to our next Yearly Meeting."

—Which being read and considered, was satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to forward copies of the same to our several subordinate Meetings; who were requested to give the necessary attention to preparing and transmitting answers to the two Queries, as proposed.



At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island,
from the 14th to the 19th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1835.

HAVING, in this our annual assembly, been enabled to dip together in feeling, in a good measure of that unity of spirit which is the bond of peace, our dear absent brethren have been brought affectionately to remembrance, with desires that they may be made partakers with us in some of the exercises that have pervaded our minds.

In reviewing the state of Society as brought before us by the answers to the Queries, Friends were impressively reminded of the obligation that rests upon every well concerned member of the body, others, as well as overseers, to labour after a right qualification of mind to enable them to admonish a brother, who may be overtaken in a fault, in the spirit of restoring love. "Go tell him his fault between thee and him alone," is an injunction of the highest authority. And were this duty of seasonable private admonition, thus attended to, in meekness and wisdom, we have no doubt that it would be blessed to the reclaiming of many in the early stages of deviation; and that an increase of strength and peace, an advancement in the pathway of holiness, would be witnessed by those who were engaged in these labours of love, and that they would thus become blessed both to the giver and the receiver. While on the other hand, those who indulge themselves in unnecessarily making the faults, real or supposed of others, a subject of conversation or communication by letters, and in spreading them abroad by these means, or who indulge an unwarrantable curiosity in listening to such conversation or letters, cannot but sustain a deep loss themselves, in addition to the great injury that they inflict upon the immediate objects of this detracting spirit, upon which a blessing can never rest, nor the dew of heaven descend.

The great neglect still apparent in the attendance of our religious meetings, particularly on the middle of the week, has been deeply affecting to our feelings, and we have greatly desired that our members may be stirred up to a sense of this important duty. May we be impressed with the obligation of attending *all* our meetings, as well on week-days as on the day which is set apart for that service by the common consent of the Christian world. If we are in the habitual neglect of mid-week meetings, although we may punctually assemble with our friends on first-days, when the law of the land *forbids* our attention to our secular concerns, does not our conduct plainly evince that we prefer our worldly interests to those things which affect our eternal welfare. As we neglect our duty in *this particular*, we shall invariably witness a consequent disrelish in relation to other religious duties, until we become as decayed and withered branches, which, not abiding in the true Vine, become barren and unfruitful. Let us, then, not forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but may we be concerned, reverently to present our bodies, a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable unto God, which is but our reasonable service. And as we are concerned, on these solemn occasions, to wait upon Him from whom alone all our spiritual strength is derived, we shall be preserved from being overcome with *drowsiness*, a weakness which, in some instances, has been fallen into, to the reproach of the high profession which we are making, in relation to the spirituality of divine worship.

It is truly painful to observe that, at the present time, when the public mind is becoming more and more awakened to the alarming evil of intemperance, and whilst others are engaged in persevering efforts for its removal, any who profess with us should be so unmindful of our well known testimony as regards this subject, and of the moral influence which a strict adherence thereto on the part of individual members would enable our society to exert in the world, as to indulge themselves in the use of spirituous liquors, except for medicinal purposes. May there be an increasing care faithfully to maintain this branch of our Christian testimonies, and we believe as this comes to be the case, we shall find that the necessity of resorting to the use of this pernicious article, even as a medicine, will be of extremely rare occurrence.

The violation of our testimony in relation to War, instances of which are acknowledged in the reports of several of our subordinate meetings, has been a subject of deep concern at this time. When we consider the leniency which has long been manifested towards our society, by the several state governments within the limits of this Yearly Meeting, we are led to the conclusion that the observance of military requisitions by any of our members must have been *voluntary*. An ignorance of the principles on which our objections to this anti-christian practice are founded, or a want of serious consideration thereof, is clearly evinced; and desires have been expressed in this meeting, that there may be a renewed attention to the circulation and perusal, among the younger part of our society, of such treatises as exhibit, in a striking manner, the unlawfulness of war, and its utter incompatibility with the principles of the gospel of peace. We are impressed with the belief, that as we are faithful in the discharge of our religious duties, our society may be made eminently instrumental, under the

divine blessing, in hastening the coming of that day, when "nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more."

And we earnestly desire that Friends may be impressed with the importance of maintaining a vigilant supervision over the dear youth under their care, early endeavoring to guard them against every thing which may give a wrong direction to their susceptible minds, carefully restraining them from attending military parades as spectators, and guarding them from the pernicious influence of those books wherein military fame is held up to view as a worthy object of pursuit.

The continued and aggravated wrongs of the oppressed and degraded coloured people in our country, has been a subject to which our minds have been turned, with renewed concern that we might feel the weight and importance of our testimony on this subject. We desire that Friends may become duly sensible that we have ever acted in relation to it, from religious considerations, and in accordance with the principles of the gospel of Christ. May Friends so continue to dwell under the influence of divine wisdom, and so attend to the pointings of Truth, that we may be preserved in such a consistent walking, as will best promote this great cause of Christian benevolence; and be careful that in all our movements we may act together in unity and love.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Meeting aforesaid,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, JUN. *Clerk.*

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of course from the Edinburgh monthly meeting held at Leith on 6th of June 1895 and endorsed by Edinburgh Quarterly meeting held at Leith 24th of June 1895. Her company has been satisfactory unto us —

Also our previous friend Lydia Dean has attended this meeting with the intention of becoming a member for Edinburgh monthly meeting held at Leith on 6th of June 1895 and endorsed by Edinburgh Quarterly meeting held at Leith 24th of June 1895. Her company and conduct has been satisfactory to us —

We have also the acceptable company of our friend William Dean who was introduced by our two last named friends he has likewise introduced a minute of concurrence from Edinburgh monthly meeting held at Leith 29th 1895.

The clerk is desired to make out the necessary extracts from the foregoing minutes and send them on immediately of this meeting —

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude by proposing to meet again at Leith at the same time in the 18th mo next —

Love & Respect to the

William Dean
Lydia Dean
English Church
1895

Fourth Month 1833

A Love quarterly meeting of friends
held at Dover 10th mo. 9th 1833

My accounts received from our several
monthly meetings it appears that the
representatives appointed to attend this
meeting are for Dover Amos Barney
Stephen Reader & William Poy for Brunswick
James Reader Peltah Hovey & Cyrus
Burrum for Sandwich John Hady Thomas
& Cyrus & Amos Smith who are all
present except one -

The clerk being absent at this time
John Brown is appointed clerk for the
day

The queries have been read in
this meeting with the answers received
from our several monthly meetings to the
first seven and tenth queries -

The committee appointed at our last
quarterly meeting to inform the society
of the decision of the not being prepared
to report are continued -

Our business being done at this
time we conclude proposing to meet
again at Sandwich at usual time
in the 1st mo. next

John Brown, Clerk
for the day

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First Month 1836

By accounts received from our several monthly meetings it appears that the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover Ebenezer Thompson Hubert Barney & Timothy Harrison for Berwick John & Mary James Huxey & John Mader for Sandwich Isaac LaHay Ezra Mader & Samuel Perinier who are all present except one —

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed the former clerks are appointed for the day —

The Queries have been read in this meeting with the required answers received from our several monthly meetings —

The committee appointed to inform Amos Peaslee of the decision of this meeting in the 8th mo. past report the Service as performed —

This meeting with the concurrence of the Warrims meeting decides with Dover monthly meeting in the appointment of Sarah P. Nutt to the Station of an Elder —

Also with Sandwich monthly meeting in the appointment of Joseph Barney of Wobborough and Hannah Barney to the Station of Elders. And the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information —

Dover monthly meeting having proposed for the consideration of this meeting the propriety of altering the placing of holding one or more of the meetings of this year & meeting which after a time of consideration thereon we appoint William Hill Ebenezer Thompson John Taborn John Haag John Mader Joseph Barney of Wobborough Eli Barney Hubert Barney John Hanson and Ezra Mader to take the subject into consideration and

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report their sense of the propriety of an alteration and if to make any how and where -

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude postponing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th mo. next -

Erna Meader Clerk for the day

Fourth Month 1836

At Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Dover 4th mo. 28th 1836

By accounts received from our several monthly meetings the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover Samuel Barney Timothy Hanson Thomas Roberts for Berwick William Hall John Meader & Joshua Meader for Sandwich Benjamin Fry Joshua May & Joseph Barney of Weyborough who are all present ~~and~~

The representatives purchase Erna Meader for Clerk and John Brown for assistant Clerk which being united with they are appointed for the ensuing year

The inquiries have been read in this meeting with the answers thereto as received from our several monthly meetings from which the following testimony is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting -

Ans^{1st} Most friends are careful to attend

the due attendance of all our meetings except one small meeting which has not been kept up and is under care. Yet they are much neglected by some especially those in the middle of the week. The hour generally observed generally clear of unbecoming behaviour except some instances of sleeping

Ans^{2^o} There is we trust a good degree of love and unity maintained amongst us

(Distracted generally guarded against but not sufficiently by some care has been taken to end differences —

Ans 3rd We believe most Friends are concerned to bring up their minds under their care direction in plainness and are exemplifying themselves. Yet some degree of dissension is apparent — friends are generally careful to discourage those under their care from reading pernicious books and from corrupt conversation — We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most Friends families —

Ans 4th Careful in the several particulars of this Society except a few instances of frequenting places of public resort and of using spirituous liquors other than for medicine and some care taken —

Ans 5th Mostly careful in these respects —

Ans 6th Careful except a few instances of marrying out —

Ans 7th Clear except two or three instances in regard to Military affairs and care taken —

Ans 8th Mostly careful in these respects except in touching settling accounts —

Ans 9th Generally careful as to reporting clear as to certificates except a few instances —

Ans 10th Some care has been taken to deal with offenders in a good measure as given after yet we believe more extraordinary care is necessary. No complaint in regard to Wearing Judgment —

We appoint John Brown John H. Lang Eli Barney & John Reader of North Norwich to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting as Representatives —

This Meeting with the concurrence of the Yearly Meeting Minutes and the Providence Monthly Meeting an approving the public subscription in the Ministry of Samuel Jenebner and Huldah B. Hays and the Church is directed to give the necessary information

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The committee appointed to take into consideration the propriety of altering the ^{places} of holding one or more of meetings of this quarterly meeting made the following report viz -

Agreeable to appointment we have taken into consideration the propriety of altering the places of holding a part of the meetings of the quarterly meeting and are united in proposing that the one heretofore held at Dover in the 10th mo. be hereafter held at Sandwich and that the one which has been held at Sandwich in the first month be hereafter held at the upper meeting house in Manchester which we submit.

Love Meader } for the
Martha Meader } committee

which report being united with and the womens meeting uniting therewith we propose for the consideration and approval of the Yearly Meeting the alteration therein specified and the clerk is directed to give the necessary information by an extract from the above minutes.

We have received from our monthly meeting answers to the queries proposed by our last Yearly meeting relative to schools and the clerk is directed to forward the substance of said answers to the ensuing Yearly meeting.

Joshua Meader is appointed treasurer for this meeting the ensuing Year -

Our treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Yearly Meeting's treasurer -

Our Esteemed friend Lyndley M. Coley informs this meeting that he had been favored to accomplish his proposed visit to some of the neighboring Yearly meetings to his own peace and satisfaction to the satisfaction of his friends as appears by returning minutes which he has procured and which have been read at this time -

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The following certificate of return is presented for our esteemed friends Joseph & Huldah Hoag
 viz— Our esteemed friends Joseph & Huldah Hoag from Ferrisburg Monthly meeting State of Vermont attended our Quarterly meeting in the 8th mo last with certificates of concurrence from the friends at home since which they have attended all the meetings constituting this their combat and Gospel labours have been satisfactory to us
 By direction and on behalf of Dover Quarterly meeting held at Dover 4th mo 28th 1836

Ezra Mader } Clerk
 Smith Sawyer }

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at North Berwick ^{at the usual time} in the 8th month next
 Ezra Mader Clerk

Eighth Month 1836

At Dover Quarterly meeting of friends held at North Berwick 8th mo 23th 1836

By accounts received from our several monthly meetings the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover Ira Tuttle Nicholas Jones & Jacob H. Bonington for Berwick Joseph Mader John Buffum & Ebenezer Hussey for Sandwich Stephen Bede Jonathan Bede and Lindley M. Hoag. who are all present

The Quinies have been read in this meeting with the required answers as received from the monthly meetings

Those appointed as representatives to attend our last Yearly Meeting inform they all attended

Whereupon the following extract from the minutes of our last Yearly meeting by which it appears ^{that} the proposed alteration of this meeting was voted with by the Yearly meeting

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Yearly meeting 6th mo 1836

Dover Quarterly meeting having proposed that their meeting which has heretofore been held at Dover in the tenth month should in future be held at Sandwich and that the meeting which has been held at Sandwich in the first month should in future be held at the Upper Meeting House in Manchester at the same time respectively as they have heretofore been held which was on consideration united with by this meeting and they were authorized to hold those meetings as proposed.

And the clerk was as directed to furnish the Quarterly meeting with a copy of the minutes from the minute of the Yearly meeting.

Abm. Pheasant for Clerk

Our Treasurer informs that he has forwarded our proportion of Yearly meeting back as directed.

Our esteemed friend John Meader opened in this meeting a prospect which has for several months past rested on his mind to attend Ohio Yearly Meeting and to appoint some meetings within its limits also some on his return as near may open as is specified in a certificate granted him by Bernersburgh monthly meeting. After a time of solid consideration his prospect was united with and he is left at liberty to pursue it as best wisdom may direct he being a minister in unity with us. The clerk is directed to endorse the substance of the above minute on his certificate and sign the same on behalf of meeting. And John Brown Eli Varney John D. Bang William Hall Oliver Thompson Isaac Varney Member Varney and Cyrus Bangs are appointed to take such relative minutes as shall appear necessary and report to next meeting.

Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, Sixth Month, 1836.

The Committee to whom was referred the answers to the Queries in regard to Schools, and the subject of Education generally, produced the following Report, which was acceptable to the Meeting. And a concern being felt by Friends, that the interesting subject of the guarded education of our beloved children and youth, may continue to rest impressively upon the minds of all our members, and produce such efforts to accomplish the object in view as circumstances will admit, the Clerk was directed to forward copies of the Report to our subordinate Meetings, and they were requested to pay the necessary attention to preparing Answers, giving as much in detail as they are able, the information required; and transmit such answers and information, through the usual channels of communication, to this Meeting next year.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, JUN. *Clerk.*

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education, report, That they have taken it into consideration, and formed a digest of the information received from the several Quarterly Meetings. They regret that this information is not more complete in its details, to enable the Yearly Meeting to have a more definite knowledge of the number of children that have attended select or family schools the past year. The accounts, however, afford evidence that increased attention has been given to the subject, while they believe that much yet remains to be accomplished, within the power of Friends. The Committee are desirous that all our members should be encouraged to persevere in this important and very interesting concern. Were a more lively interest awakened, and renewed efforts made in reference to it, the results would doubtless prove extensively beneficial, and afford a source of satisfaction to those engaged to promote the guarded education of their children. By the accounts received, there appear to have been, in the course of the year,

22 Family,
2 Preparative Meeting,
and 3 Monthly Meeting Schools,

one or two of which have continued the greater part of the year, while the remainder have generally continued a few months only. The number of scholars that have attended them is reported to be about four hundred; making an increase since last year of nearly two hundred. Although we find by the reports, that the number of Friends' children within the limits of this Yearly Meeting, between the ages of *four and twenty-one*, is upwards of three thousand, yet about one seventh only, enjoy the advantages of schools under the care of members of our society. From this view of the subject, the importance of further exertion will urge itself, with peculiar force, upon the minds of Friends.

The Committee are well aware, from the scattered location of Friends in some parts of the Yearly Meeting, that many difficulties are to be encountered in carrying their wishes into practical effect. In concluding this report, however, we can but express an earnest desire, that the younger members of the society who expect to engage in the business of teaching, would participate in the concern which attends the minds of their elder brethren and sisters; and if they sometimes make a trifling sacrifice on their own part, to enable parents to avail themselves more extensively of their services, the consciousness of having been instrumental in doing good, will no doubt, be a sufficient reward. We do, therefore, earnestly hope, that a deep and abiding interest in the welfare of their own society, with the desire of becoming its useful instruments, will induce them to adopt a disinterested course, in accordance with Christian duty.

We would propose to the Yearly Meeting, that the Queries adopted last year, be again sent down to the subordinate Meetings, with a note appended, requesting them to be particular in making full and definite reports of *all* the Children that attend schools under the care of Friends, and in giving such other information in relation to this subject, as may be interesting and useful to the Yearly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee,

MOSES A. CARTLAND.

NEWPORT, 6 mo. 17, 1836.

The Queries above referred to, are,

1. How many Schools are there within your limits, under the care of Friends, (distinguishing between Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting, and Family Schools)—and what has been the average duration of these Schools during the year?

2. How many children of Friends have attended Friends' Schools within the year?

[Monthly Meetings are requested to answer these Queries in season for the spring Quarterly Meetings, and to add any further information on the subject of Schools that it may seem desirable for the Yearly Meeting to become possessed of, in conformity with the above Report. And Quarterly Meetings are desired to transmit these answers to our next Yearly Meeting.]

Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England—Sixth Month, 1836.

The annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, JUN. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have endeavoured, during the past year, to discharge the duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, in superintending the various concerns of the Institution.

Since our last report, SETH and MARY DAVIS have, by their request, been released from their engagement as Superintendents, and ENOCH and LYDIA BREED have again come in temporarily, to supply their places. MOSES B. LOCKWOOD, JONATHAN SLOCUM, LOUIS TABER, and VALENTINE MEADER, are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and MARY ANN BARKER, EMMELINE ALDRICH, and ELIZABETH H. OSBORNE, in the Girls'. GEORGE W. READ is employed as Instructor in the Languages. ISAAC C. HATHAWAY continues to exercise a care over the Boys out of school hours, and to act as book-keeper.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, and it appears that on account of some improvement in the buildings and for other purposes, some expenses have accrued beyond the usual expenditures, and that the receipts for board and tuition, from the income of the funds, and from other sources, have fallen short of meeting the expenses, about one thousand dollars; notwithstanding which, we think proper to propose, that the price for the admission of scholars, and the privilege to Monthly Meetings, be continued the same as last year.

In the 8th month last, the accompanying Circular on the subject of Plainness was forwarded to the several Monthly Meetings, and there appears at the present time to be a cheerful conformity on the part of the inmates of the Institution, to the requisitions therein contained.

The average number of Scholars during the past year, has been one hundred and twenty-seven.—Meetings have been regularly kept up, and harmony prevails.

In addition to the attention usually given to the School, the Committee deem it proper to inform the Yearly Meeting, that in the tenth and fourth months a special Committee visited the Schools, and spent several days in investigating the improvement of the Scholars and the condition of the Institution. By the reports of these Committees we are informed, that the state of the Schools, with respect to literary improvement, was very satisfactory, the exercises of the scholars evincing an industrious attention to their various studies. They also inform us, that the Schools are under good government, the children appearing readily to conform to the rules of the Institution.

On behalf of the Committee,

ARNOLD CONGDON, Clerk.

At a meeting of the Committee of the New-England Yearly Meeting Boarding School, held 8th month 7th, 1835—

The subject of an increased observance in this Institution of plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, having, from time to time, claimed the serious attention of this Committee, and a lively concern on this account having been manifested at our last Yearly Meeting, we have believed it right for us at this time to revive the subject to our friends, and to point out, more explicitly than we have heretofore done, what we consider a proper dress for the children of this School.

While we feel that we are not called upon to enter extensively into a vindication of the propriety of maintaining our testimonies in the particulars alluded to, we would affectionately remind our younger friends, that they are in accordance, as we believe, with the beautiful system of Christian simplicity taught by our blessed Lord and his apostles. And we may appeal to the experience of our Society to prove, that they have been as a hedge round about us, which it has ever been perilous to break down: and when, in individual instances, this has been done, that weakness and loss have been the consequence.

We should ever remember the apostolic exhortation, "Let your moderation be known unto all men." And "let not your adorning be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold and of putting on of apparel, but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is, in the sight of God, of great price."

Were our minds, dear friends, duly impressed with a sense of the matchless love of our adorable Redeemer and Preserver—were our hopes and dependence placed on Him—how should we be raised above the undue attachment to the things of time and sense and a conformity to the vain fashions and customs of the world. And in accordance with the recommendations of our Discipline, we earnestly desire that parents and guardians would impress upon the minds of their children, the necessity of maintaining plainness of speech and behaviour, which is strictly required in the School. And it will be expected of every male admitted into this Institution, that his body-coat, jacket and vest, be single-breasted, and without lappels or falling collars, and that where any of these are figured, that they be of patterns consistent with the plainness required in other parts of the dress—and that they wear hats, caps being excluded.

In the dress of females we expect a correspondent degree of plainness, and that they avoid the extravagance of the fashions of the present day. They will be required to wear silk, or plain straw bonnets, without any trimmings for ornament. Their frocks or gowns should be of materials that are plain in color, and conformable in the size of the sleeves, and in other respects to convenience and propriety, and not according to the vain fashions of the world. Their handkerchiefs and collars should be without edgings or trimmings—and no article intended for ornament merely, will be permitted to be worn.

In order to carry into effect these regulations, the Superintendents are to examine the trunks and packages of the children previous to admission, and if any articles are found unsuitable on account of plainness, or for any other cause, they will be laid aside, or altered, and the expense charged to the parents or guardians.

No Scholar will be admitted into the School after the present quarter, or permitted to remain here, who does not comply strictly with these regulations. And Committees of Monthly Meetings are desired to be careful not to give certificates to any children who will not conform thereto.

On behalf and by direction of the Committee,

ARNOLD CONGDON, Clerk.



Eight Month 1836

A number of copies of the communication from our last Yearly meeting has been received at this time one of which has been read to our satisfaction they are directed to be distributed to our several monthly meetings - Also a number of copies of the Address from the meeting for Sufferings to our members and others one of which has been read to satisfaction they are directed to be distributed in like manner - Likewise the report of the Boarding School Committee with the annexed Extracts relative to School has been received at this time

By an extract from the minutes of our last Yearly meeting it appears that this meeting's proportion of Yearly meeting Stock is \$43.75 which is directed to be apportioned to our several monthly meetings as heretofore -

We have at this time the acceptable company of our Esteemed friend Jane H. Dore from China monthly meeting with a minute of concurrence from her friends at home which has read at this time -

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th month next

Wm. A. Reader Clerk

Tenth Month 1836

At Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 10th 24th 1836

By accounts received from our several monthly meetings the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover John Brown Thomas Roberts & Eli Canney for Berwick Joseph Stiles Daniel Page & John Reader for Sandwich Elijah Butler Paul Tenner & Noah Canney who are all present

Communications from the Yearly meeting received

J. H. Dore's Company

Tenth month 1836

The Minutes have been read in this meeting
with the required answers received from
our monthly meeting.

The Synodical committee at last meeting relative to Saml. Beards proposed visit to Ohio yearly meeting report they have taken such care in the case as appeared necessary and he has returned to this meeting the certificate granted ^{for that purpose} ~~him~~ by the yearly meeting and endorsed by this and informed us that he has been joyous to accomplish the visit to his own peace & satisfaction and he has also induced a number of return from that meeting stating that his company and religious services were acceptable —

Our Esteemed friend Phelps Esq has attended this meeting and has produced a minute of concurrence from the monthly meeting. Soc. Company and religious Services have been satisfactory to us -

Satisfaction of H. as -
 The sub. is deemed friend Oliver Johnson
 and Journal of the London Convention
 has attended this meeting and produced a
 Minute of concurrence from China monthly
 meeting, his company and religious services
 have been satisfactory to us. And the Clerk
 is directed to furnish them with the substance
 of the above minutes and sign the same on
 behalf of this meeting -

The Clerk is directed to extract and forward to China monthly meeting the substance of the minute taken at our last meeting in favor of our friend Amos Bove and Sign the same on behalf of this meeting -

the business of our meeting being accom-
plished at this time we conclude proposing
to meet again at Rochester at the usual
time in the 4th month next

John & Mauder & Co

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At Dover Quarterly meeting of friends held at
Manchester June 26th 1837

By accounts received from our several monthly
meetings the representatives by appointment
are for Dover Jesse Roberts Ebenezer Thompson
and Edward Lusk for Benning Benajah Barney
James Hussy & John Wang for Sandwich
John Haug Thomas Ayres & Daniel Fry who
are present except one —

The queries have been read in this meeting
with the required answers from the monthly
meetings

Our esteemed friend Rudolph W Haag expressed
in this meeting that he has a prospect of making
a social and religious visit within the limits of
Hennisburgh Quarterly meeting as is expressed in
his certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting
which being granted with he is left at liberty
to pursue his prospect as best wisdom may direct
he being a minister in unity with us and the
Church is directed to endorse the substance of the
above minute on his certificate and sign the
same on behalf of this meeting

Also our esteemed friend Huldah W Haag expressed
in this meeting that she has a prospect of accompa-
nying her husband and friend W Haag in his prope-
ted visit as is expressed in a certificate granted
her by Sandwich monthly meeting which is
granted with and she is left at liberty to pursue
her prospect as truth may open the way she
being a minister in unity with us and the
Church is directed to endorse the substance
of the above minute on her certificate
and sign the same on behalf of this meeting

Our esteemed friends Edward and Elizabeth
Gove has attended this meeting and produced
a minute of conference from Seabrook
monthly meeting their company and religious
services have been satisfactory to us and the
Church is directed to furnish them with an
extract from the above minute and sign the
same on behalf of this meeting —

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Our esteemed friend Martha Meader in an impressive manner opened in this meeting a prospect of performing a religious visit to friends and others within the limits of New York yearly meeting as expressed in her certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting which after a time of consideration was united with and she left to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way. She being a minister in unity with us and the clerk is directed to enclose the substance of the above minute on her certificate and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

John D. Lang, John Brown, Isaac Barney, William Hill, Shelden Barney, Joseph Guttie, Thomas Haberts, Stephen Bede, John Haag & Daniel Fry are appointed to take the necessary care relative to Martha Meaders proposed visit to friends & others in New York yearly meeting.

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th month next. Ezra Meader Clerk

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A Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Dover 4mo 27th 1837.

By accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives are for Dover, Timothy Hanson, Jonathan Dame and Tobias Evans, for Berwick, Josua Meader, John D. Lang and Joseph D. Hoag, for Sandwich, Joseph Varney of Wolfboro John Folsom and Jonathan Bede, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed the representatives having proposed

John Brown for clerk and John D Lang for assistant clerk they are accordingly appointed to that service the year ensuing. The Queries with the answers received from our Monthly meetings have been read at this time. A Summary of which is prepared for our Yearly Meeting next to be held on Rhode Island, and we appoint Joseph Varney of Wolfboro. John D Lang, Joshua Meader and William Telle, as representatives to attend the aforesaid Meeting. The Committee appointed to take the necessary care relative to our friend Martha Meader's proposed religious visit inform care has been taken, but not being ready to report at this time they are continued. This meeting unites with Sandwich Monthly Meeting in approving the public appearances in the Ministry of Comfort Fogg, the Womens Meeting also uniting therewith. This meeting unites with Dover Monthly Meeting in dismissing Eli Varney from the Station of an Elder, the Womens Meeting concurring therein.

The following communication from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on the Subject of Slavery is referred to next Meeting for further consideration.

"A lively concern being introduced into this meeting respecting the Subject of Slavery as it exists in the United States. We are united in proposing for the consideration of the Quarterly Meeting, the propriety of proposing to the Yearly meeting to memorialize Congress on its existence in those parts of the United States under their immediate control, and to publish the Sentiments of our Society on the Subject to the world, the womens meeting uniting herein". It appears that a Bill was presented at the last session of the Legislature of New Hampshire relative to the Militia, in which no provision was made for the exemption of Friends from military duty, and which should it become a Law, is calculated to cast a great burden upon Society. The Subject claiming the attention of this meeting, and believing its importances

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requires the immediate care of Friends. We appoint, John D. Lang, Lindley M. Hoag, John Brown Joseph Tuttle, Walter Sawyer, Ben^a Fry, Jonathan Dame, Joshua Mader and Joseph D. Hoag, to make early application to the meeting for sufferings, for its advice and assistance therein, and otherwise act in the case as way should open or necessity require —

Our esteemed friend Benjamin Fry opened in this meeting a prospect which had for some time accompanied his mind of performing a religious visit to Friends and others within the limits of the half years meeting, of the province of Upper Canada and some other places as expressed in his certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting, which after a time of consideration was limited with and he left at liberty to pursue his prospect, as truth may open the way he being a member and a minister in unity with us the Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of the above minute on his certificate and sign the same on behalf of this meeting, —

Our treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of yearly meeting stock to the treasurer of the yearly meeting. The Clerk is directed to make the necessary extracts from the minutes, and forward to our next yearly meeting. We appoint Joseph Varney of Wolfboro, Jonathan Bude, John Hoag, Joseph Tuttle, Timothy Hanson, Jon^a Dame, Stephen Hanson, William Hill, and Joshua Mader, to take the necessary care relative to our friend Benjamin Fry's proposed religious visit, John Brown is appointed Treasurer for this meeting the year ensuing.

Received three hundred copies of the L. London general Epistle, of last year which were directed to be distributed among our members.

Our business being closed at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at the usual time at North Berdick in the 8^m. next —

John Brown Clerk.

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At our Quarterly meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 8mo 24th 1837-

By accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives are for Dover, Abner Varny, Timothy Harmon and Jesse Roberts, for Berwick, Joshua Mader, John D Lang, Nicholas Estes and Joseph Brackett, for Sandwich, Thomas Ayres, Jedidiah Titch and Joshua Hoag, who are all present.

Our esteemed friend William Kennard attended this meeting, with a certificate from Somerset Monthly meeting of friends in Belmont county, Ohio, dated 27th of 2mo 1837, and endorsed by Stillwater Quarterly meeting held 1st of 3mo. 1837, expressive of their unity with him in his prospect, his company, and religious services have been acceptable to us,

Also our esteemed friend Thomas Hoall companion to William Kennard has been acceptably with us at this time, with a minute of concurrence from Short Creek Monthly meeting dated 3mo. 21st 1837-

The following minute from our last yearly meeting has been read, and a part of the committee therein named, are present at this time, their company and services are acceptable,

" At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England held on Rhode Island on 15th month 1837-

" The joint Committee of Men & Women Friends, appointed last year to visit subordinate Meetings, and individuals as occasion might require; and to endeavor to encourage & strengthen them in the maintenance of our religious principles, and testimonies, and in the preservation of love and unity - - - made a report - - - which being considered, was united with, and it being apprehended that usefulness will result from a similar appointment at the present time - - -

" Rowland Green, Thomas Anthony, John Osborn, Edw.

" Wm. John D Lang, Silas Earle, Benjamin Gardner,

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" Thomas Howland, Abm. Shearman, junr, David Buffum,
" Daniel Taber, Thomas Jones, Henry Chase, John Brown,
" Edmund Bates, William Cobb, Moses Starky, Enoch Breed,
" William Jenkins, Stephen Gould, John Meader and Estes
" Newhall, - - were named to these services on the part of the
" Men's Meeting, - - - - and Anna A Jenkins, Hannah
" Collins, Sybil Jones, Hannah W. Jones, Mary Howland,
" Joannet Meader, Lydia Breed, Mary S. Brown, Elizabeth
" Wing, Mary B. Allen, Mary Macy, Ann Pope, Anne Perinton
" Abigail Inman, Elizabeth Meader, and Hannah Gould jun.
" - - on the part of the Women. - - - -

" to labour therein as way may open, and best wisdom direct
" And were requested to report to this Meeting next year.

"From the Minutes of said Meeting

Abm. Shearman, jun. (black)
Hannah Gould, jun. (black)
read the Quereis, with the answers received from our
monthly meetings to the 10th, 2nd, and 10th Query.

The following extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting together with the report of the Boarding School Committee, have been received & read, and are to our satisfaction, copies thereof have been forwarded to our Monthly Meetings.

EXTRACTS
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 11th to the 16th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1837.

THE annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and the attention given by the Committee to the concerns of the Institution placed under their care, was satisfactory to this Meeting. The following is the Report:—

TO THE YEARLY MEETING,

The Boarding School Committee Report, that they have endeavoured to discharge the duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting, during the past year, in giving their attention to the various concerns of the Institution.

Meetings have been regularly continued, and harmony has prevailed. The average number of scholars has been one hundred and thirty-four. At the present time there are twelve scholars in the Institution who are not members of our religious Society, all but two of whom are connected with Friends. Our friends Enoch and Lydia Breed have continued, acceptably, to act as Superintendents, during the past year, but desiring to be released, we have at this time agreed with our friends Rowland and Alice Rathbun, to serve the Institution in that capacity, who are expected to enter upon this service the first of next month. Moses B. Lockwood, Jonathan L. Slocum, Samuel Austin and Lewis Taber are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Mary-Ann Barker, Emeline Aldrich, and Elizabeth H. Osborne, in the Girls'. George F. Reed is employed as instructor in the Languages. Isaac Hathaway continues to exercise a care over the Boys out of school hours, and to act as book-keeper, and Free-love Greene is employed as a care-taker of the Girls, and has charge of the sewing School.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, by which it appears that the Institution is in debt, \$5,158 65 cts. This debt may be ascribed, principally, to the high price, for the past two years, of the various articles of consumption required in the family, and to there not having been so large a number, as heretofore, admitted into the School, who were not members of our Society, the terms of whose admission are higher than for members. In order to meet the present deficiency, we have requested the Treasurer of the School Fund to effect a loan of five thousand dollars. It appearing to the Committee, that some means must be adopted to liquidate this debt, and to meet the probable current expenses of the School for the future, we propose for the consideration of the Yearly Meeting, that Books and Stationary be charged to the scholars, at their cost at wholesale; that the privilege granted Monthly Meetings be suspended; that the allowance for travelling expenses to children who come from the three eastern Quarterly Meetings, be reduced from *six* to *four* cents per mile; and that the general price of board and tuition, (for members of this Yearly Meeting,) be raised to *seventeen* dollars per quarter, payable as heretofore, in *advance*—to commence on the first of *eight* month next. By adopting this arrangement, with the probable reduction of cost in the articles of consumption, it is believed that the expenses of the School may be met, and the debt gradually discharged.

The amount of funds belonging to the Institution, for the schooling of poor children, including the bequest for that purpose by our late friend Moses Brown, is \$6650. It is proposed that this should be kept, by the Treasurer, distinct from the general funds; and the income of it will support twelve children, six months each, at seventeen dollars per quarter.

We have continued to appoint committees to examine the School semi-annually, who, on these occasions, have devoted several days to the service. By their reports we are informed, that the general appearance of the School has been such as to give them much satisfaction. The scholars have given encouraging evidence of attention to their various studies, in most of which they have exhibited a proficiency alike creditable to them and to their teachers. There has been an agreeable manifestation of a conformity, on the part of the children, to the advice of Friends in respect to plainness.

In adverting to the past year we feel bound to acknowledge the preservation that has been mercifully extended to us, under which we trust, the School has been continued in good degree, in accordance with the intentions of the Yearly Meeting in its establishment.

On behalf of the Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th of 5th month, 1837.

THE several propositions, contained in the preceding Report of the Boarding School Committee, having been referred for consideration, to a Committee of this Meeting, they produced, at a subsequent sitting, the following Report, which was united with, and was directed to be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, in connection with the Report of the School Committee, viz.

"*To the Yearly Meeting.*—The Committee to take into consideration the propositions contained in the Report of the Boarding School Committee, report, that they have given them their careful consideration, and that they are united in opinion, that it will be best for the Yearly Meeting to adopt them, for the present year. We would propose however, (in accordance with the intention of the School Committee,) that the class Books, for reading, should be supplied to the scholars, free of expense, and that this information be appended to the Report of the School Committee.

"We would propose, in order for a proper selection of poor children to occupy the privilege of the charitable Fund,* that Monthly Meetings be requested to ascertain the number of children of this description, in their respective Meetings, and to communicate their names and ages to the acting Committee of the School, by the time of their meeting in the 9th month next, at Providence.

On behalf of the Committee,

THOMAS JONES.
MARY T. BROWN."

Newport, 6th month 14, 1837.

[*The words of Moses Brown's Will, in relation to his bequest, are,—“for the schooling of such members of the Society as are actually poor, supported or not as such, by the respective Monthly Meetings; and females are to have equal advantages of the whole of this legacy as males.”]

This Meeting having again taken under deliberate consideration, the propriety of admitting Children into its Boarding School, who are not members of our Society, came to the conclusion, that it would not be advisable to receive any children who are not members, except in those cases where one or both Parents are members, and who, in the judgment of the acting Committee, are proper subjects to become inmates of the Institution.

Answers to the Queries on the subject of Education, received from our several Quarterly Meetings, were read, and a Committee appointed to compile a digest of the information therein contained, and if way should open for it, to prepare a minute of advice on this subject. At a subsequent sitting, the Committee presented the following Report, viz.

"*To the Yearly Meeting.*—The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Education, report, that by the information received from the several Quarterly Meetings, there appear to have been, in the course of the past year, three Monthly Meeting schools, averaging six months; three Preparative Meeting schools, which averaged eight months: fifteen Family schools, averaging seven months, and one recently established. Also five private or select schools, under the entire control of Friends, but not confined exclusively to Friends' children. The number of scholars who have attended the above schools, [or who have received instruction at the Yearly Meeting's Boarding school,] is reported to have been about five hundred and fifty; making an increase, since last year, of one hundred and fifty. Several district schools have been taught by members of our Society.

"Although the information derived from the answers to the Queries, is not so full and explicit as would have been desirable, yet it affords evidence of the interest felt, by many Friends, in the welfare of the rising generation, by providing the means of acquiring a guarded education. While some parents, in many parts of our widely extended Yearly Meeting, are making commendable exertions to bring up their children in the way they should go, we regret that this concern is not more extensively felt. In looking over our Society, and beholding the children who are soon to take the places of the parents, and upon whom the important concerns of Society must ere long devolve, a deep solicitude is felt on this account, that the clay in the hands of the potter may not be marred on the wheel. We are aware that some of the peculiar testimonies which we are called upon to sustain, and which distinguish us from other religious denominations, are liable to be viewed by our children, who are compelled to associate with others in acquiring a practical education, as presenting a formidable obstacle in the way of their continuing consistent members of our Society;—and we earnestly recommend to parents, and particularly to those whose locations are so remote from each other, as to render it impracticable to establish schools of their own, to endeavor to remove this obstacle, as far as it may be done, by providing the means of instruction in their own families, and by impressing upon the minds of their offspring the importance of building up this hedge about them, which may prove the blessing of preservation in after years.

"In conclusion, we would simply advert to the necessity of still maintaining a lively interest in this highly important and interesting concern, not only as a duty incumbent upon us, but as a means of contributing to the happiness and welfare of the beloved youth.

On behalf of the Committee,

WILLIAM REYNOLDS."

Which having been read and considered, was satisfactory to us; and this Meeting having long been deeply interested for the guarded education of the children and youth of our Society, recommends this subject to the solid attention of Friends; and directs that copies of the Report be forwarded to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

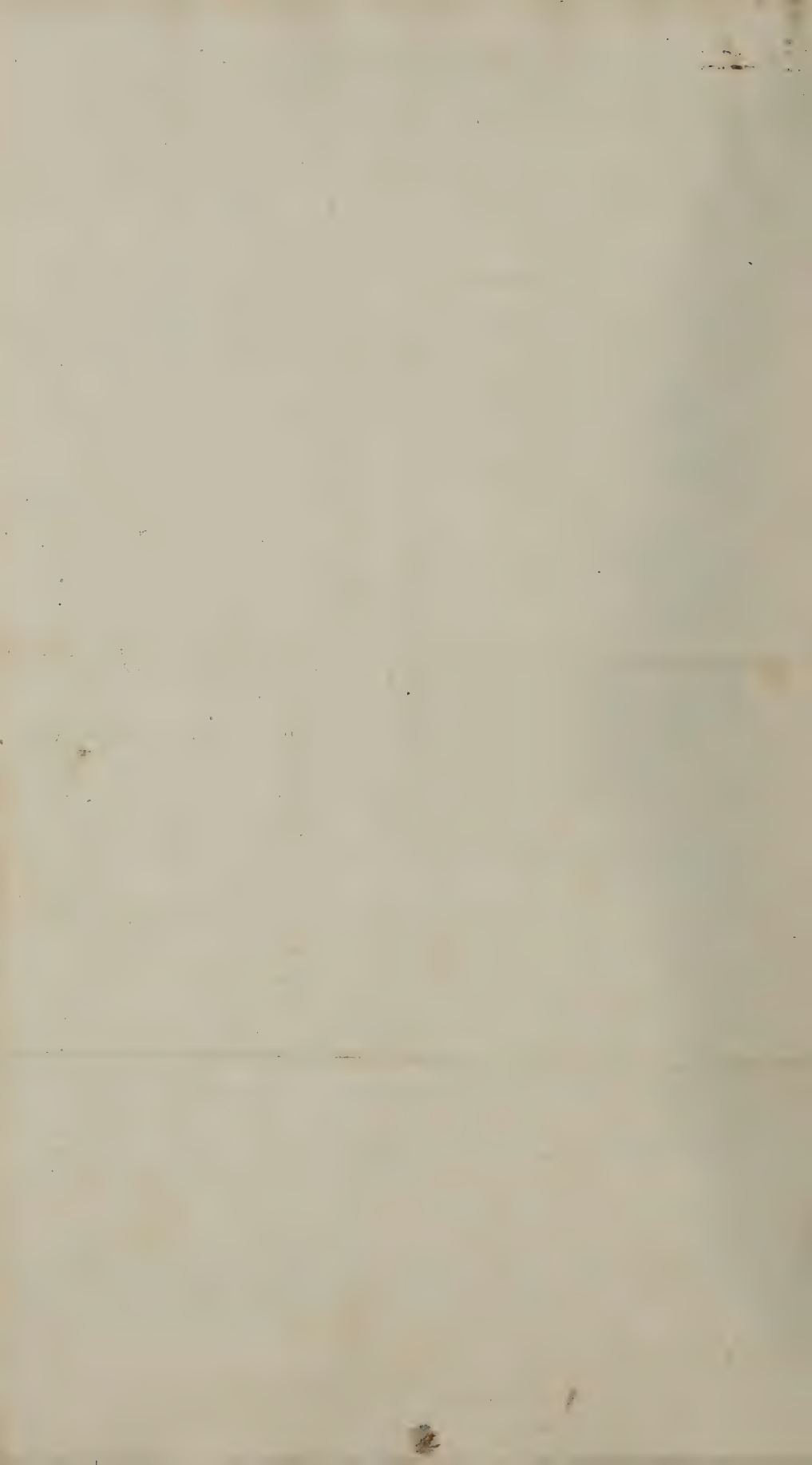
Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England,—Sixth month, 1837.

This Meeting having been brought under exercise for the preservation and right advancement of the Christian testimonies, which distinguish us, to a great extent at least, from the various other bodies of professing Christians,—a concern has prevailed, that in all our movements to promote the cause of truth and righteousness in the earth, whether it be the amelioration of the condition of our fellow beings who are suffering under oppression, or the moral and religious improvement of our brethren of the human family generally,—a recurrence may be had, by all our members, to the ground of religious concern, and to the guidance of that Wisdom which is first pure, then peaceable, gentle and easy to be entreated,—and which is profitable to direct us in the path of safety. And under this exercise, an earnest solicitude has been felt, that we may do nothing to compromise the testimony to the spiritual nature of Divine worship, borne by our early Friends, when called upon to leave the various religious denominations with which they had been associated, and again to revive among the nations in which they were scattered, a testimony to the operative influence of the Spirit of Truth upon the mind of man, so amply borne witness to in the Holy Scriptures, as essentially necessary to the performance of every religious act, and for our guidance in every good word and work. And while we desire that we may all maintain a spirit and temper which will prevent us from condemning, or in any way attempting to impede the well meant endeavors of others to promote any of the objects of Christian benevolence, or of moral reform, that occupy the attention of the public mind, in the present day ; we have believed that the preservation of the precious testimonies to which we have alluded, and our influence, as a religious Society, in promoting the important objects, alike desirable to every benevolent mind, very much depend upon a close adherence to our peculiar principles.

Under these considerations, we have believed, that to open our meeting-houses to Lecturers, whose opinions and principles, on many subjects, that *we* consider of primary importance, are widely different from ours, and which we apprehend are frequently brought into view in such lectures, will have a tendency to draw off the minds of our members, from an establishment in the truth of those principles which have ever been maintained by us, and from a practical exemplification of them in our conduct. It is therefore our advice and judgment, that all such applications for the use of our meeting-houses, may be discountenanced by Friends.

Extracted, by direction, from the Minutes of the Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.



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Received nine hundred copies of the address from our last yearly meeting to our own members, who those of other Christian communities on the Subject of Slavery, which are directed to our monthly meetings.

Our esteemed friend Ruth Davis attended this meeting with a minute from New Bedford Monthly Meeting, dated June 27th 1837. Uniting with her, in her proposed religious visit her company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Also our esteemed friend Mary Shove in company with Ruth Davis, attended this meeting, with a minute of concurrence from Evansville Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Somerset June 31st 1837. Her company and religious services have been acceptable.

This meeting's proportion of Yearly meeting stock for the year ensuing, as appears by the following minute, is Seventy five Dollars, which is directed to be apportioned, as last year—

"Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England Eighth Month 1837—

"It was concluded to raise twelve hundred Dollars for the use of this meeting for the year ensuing. David Buffum was appointed Treasurer, and our General Quarterly meeting was requested to forward to him, their respective proportions of this sum—

"Dover Quarterly Meeting's proportion is Seventy five Dollars

"On behalf of said Meeting

Abm. Freeman Sec. Clerk—

The Committee appointed at our last Meeting on the subject of the proposed Law relative to the Militia, presented the following Report, which was acceptable, and the Clerk is directed to forward a copy thereof to the Meeting for sufferings—

"The Committee appointed to make application to the Meeting for sufferings for its advice and assistance in regard to the proposed Law relative to the Militia, Report, that they made early application to the Meeting for sufferings accordingly, and that Meeting prepared a Memorial addressed to the Legislature of New Hampshire on the subject. The meeting for sufferings also forwarded to the committee 300 printed copies of Benjamin Bates letter. One of our members attended the Legislature a portion of the time during its late Session

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"The memorial was presented to that body,
"and the printed letters were distributed among
"the members and other influential persons.
"The proposed Bill did not pass on to a Law.

Joseph Tuttle
for the committee.

Those appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting
inform they all attended. -

The committee appointed to take care in the
case of Martha Meader are continued -

The proposition from Sandwich M. C. Meeting
on the Subject of Slavery, continued at our last
meeting, being before the Meeting at this time
and the Subject having engaged the Attention
of our last Yearly Meeting, we are united in
dismissing the further consideration of the Subject.

Our esteemed friend Lindley M. Hoag returned
the certificate granted him in the 10th mo last
and informs he had been favored to accomplish
his visit, to his own satisfaction, and as appears
by his return, a Minute presented at this time
his visit was satisfactory to his friends -

This committee appointed at our last Yearly Meeting
to take the necessary care relative to our friend
Benjamin Foy's proposed religious visit inform -
Some care has been taken, but not being ready to
report they are continued to next Meeting -

The Clerk is directed to extract the Substance
of the within minutes in favor of our friends Wm
Hennare & his companions, Ruth Davis &
Mary Thore and sign the same on behalf of
this meeting. - Our Business being accomplished
at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at the
usual time, at Sandwich in the 10th mo next.

John Brown - Clerk -

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A Quarter Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 10th mo 26th 1837.

By the accounts which have been received from our several monthly meetings, it appears the following Friends are appointed as representatives to this meeting. Viz. for Dover, Olney Thomson, John Brown & Thomas Roberts, for Wenick, James Henshaw, Cyrus Buffum, and Joseph Brackett, for Sandwich, Samuel Scribner, Jeremiah Roberts and John Folson, who are all present.

Our esteemed friend James Jones attended this meeting with a certificate from China mo. meeting of friends, dated 10 mo 17th 1837, expressive of their unity with him in his prospect. His company and religious services have been acceptable.

Also the company of our esteemed friend Nathl Austin, companion to James Jones has been acceptable, with a minute of concurrence from China mo. meeting dated 10 mo 17. 1837.

Our esteemed friend Moses H. Seade, attended this meeting, with a copy of a minute from Salem monthly meeting of friends, held at Salem 10th mo 12th 1837. his company and religious services have been acceptable.

We have read the Queries with the answers thereto, received from our several monthly meetings, to the 1st 2nd and 10th Query. The friends appear to take care in the case of our friend Martha Meade, are again continued, Also the committee in the case of our friend Benj. Faye are continued. Our business being closed at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Rochester, at the usual time in the 1st mo. next.

John Brown Clerk

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At Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held
at Rochester 1st mo 25th 1838.

By the accounts which have been received from
our several monthly meetings, it appears the
following friends are appointed as Representatives
to this meeting; For Dover, Isaac Roberts, Stephen
Meador & Joseph Tuttle, for Hamick Amasa
Varney, John Buffum & Joseph Meador, for
Sandwich, Jonathan Weeks, Joseph Varney, of
Walsborough! Lindlay M. Hoag, who were all
present except one.

Our esteemed friend Samuel Taylor attended this
meeting with a copy of a minute from Sidney monthly
meeting of friends held 13th mo 21st 1837, expressive of
unity with him in his prospect, his Company and
religious services, have been to our satisfaction &
encouragement.

Read the Queries with the Answers thereto, received
from our several monthly meetings, to the 1st Q^{ry},
spot query.

The Committee appointed to take the necessary
care in the case of our friend Martha Meador, are
continued to next meeting.

The Committee in the case of our friend Benj^y Fry
inform care has been taken, but not ready to report
are continued to next meeting.

The following extract from Sandwich Monthly meeting
proposing altering the time of holding their
select preparative meeting, being read at this
time, this meeting with the concurrence of the
Womens meeting unites therewith; and the Clerk
is directed to give the necessary information.

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"The Select Preparative Meeting having proposed the altering of the time of holding said meeting from the Eleventh hour in the forenoon to the second hour of the afternoon of the same day on which it is now held, with which this meeting with the concurrence of the womens meeting unite and directs the Clerk to furnish the Quarterly meeting with a copy of the above minute. Extracted from the minutes of Sandwich monthly meeting, held Sept. 18th 1838: Egra Meador Clerk."

The following Communication from Sandwich Monthly meeting being introduced at this time, which after deliberation thereon, this meeting is united in continuing the subject to our next meeting).

"This meeting with the concurrence of the Womens meeting unite in proposing to the Quarterly meeting the propriety of proposing to the ensuing Yearly meeting a reconsideration of that portion of our Discipline which disallows our members to marry a deceased wife's sister, or a deceased husband's brother. Taken from the minutes of Sandwich Monthly meeting of Friends held Sept. 18th 1838: by invitation thereof Egra Meador."

Extracts from the minutes of our last ^{Quarterly} Meeting in favour of our Friends Moses H. Deeds, James Jones & Nathl. Weston, have been read & directed to be signed by the Clerk.

Rev. Chubbourn's printed Copies of the London General Epistle of last year, which are directed to our Monthly Meeting. The Clerk is directed to extract the substance of the within minute in favour of our Friend Samuel Taylor, and sign the same on behalf of this Meeting.

Our business being closed at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Dover, at the usual time in the 4th month next.

John Brown Clerk.

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At Our Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at Dover 4th mo 26th 1838:

Having received accounts from our several monthly meetings, the following friends appear to have been appointed as representatives to this meeting. W. Jonathan Lane, Nicholas Jones, William Page, For Berrick Joshua Meador, Andrew Austin & Nath. Buffum, for Sandwich Stephen Deeds, Saml Fry & Lindsey Mottog, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the Clerk was appointed the Representatives proposed, John Rivers, for Clerk & Dr. S. Loring for an Assistant Clerk, they are accordingly appointed to that service the Year ensuing—
The Queries are read, with answers to them from our several monthly meetings.

The following Summary is intended to represent the State of our meeting in the particulars embraced in the Queries, and the Clerk is directed to forward the same with our account to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held in Rhode Island, & we appoint our friends Wm. Hill, John Brown, Tobias Meador & Joshua Meador to attend the Yearly Meeting as our Representatives—
Our beloved friend Anna S. Jenkins has attended this meeting and some other meetings within its limits and produced a minute of concurrence from Providence monthly Meeting held 3rd mo 28th 1838 her companions and gospel labors, have been to our satisfaction, and encouragement, and the clerk is directed to forward an extract of the above minute to Providence Monthly Meeting, and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

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Our esteemed friends Enoch & Lydia Bond, members of our Yearly Meeting Committee, attended this meeting in company with our friend Anna A. Jenkins, their company has been acceptable to us —

The Committee appointed to take the nursery case in the case of our friend Martha Hader not being ready to report are continued to next meeting — Also the Committee to take care in the case of our friend Benj. Fry are continued to next meeting —

The following communications from Sandwich Monthly Meeting in the same last being again introduced, which after a time of deliberation thereon it is concluded to continue the same to our next meeting —

From Sandwich Monthly Meeting —

This meeting with the concurrence of the women's Meeting, unite in proposing to the Quarterly meeting, the propriety of proposing to the ensuing Yearly Meeting, a reconsideration of that portion of our Discipline which disallows our members to marry a deceased wife's sister, or a deceased husband's brother — — —

Taken from the minutes of Sandwich monthly Meeting of friends held 18th mo 18th 1838. —

by directions thereof Ezra Meacham
Clerk

By extracts received from Norwich monthly Meeting we are informed that friends of that meeting were united in appointing Hannah Morrel to the Station of an Elder, which after a time of consideration thereon this

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meeting with the concurrence of the womens meeting unite therewith — It appears by a minute from the same meeting that they are also united in appointing Ann Elmira Lang to the same station, which after a time of consideration thereon this meeting with the concurrence of the womens meeting unite therewith and the clerk is directed to give the necessary information —

The following communication from Sandwich Monthly Meeting on the subject of Slavery, having been introduced, and considered, this meeting concludes to propose to the Yearly Meeting, the propriety of memorializing Congress, for its abolition in those parts under their immediate control — the womens meeting also concurring herewith — the clerk is directed to forward an extract of the above minute to the ensuing Yearly Meeting —

A Concern being again introduced into this meeting respecting the subject of Slavery, as it now exists in the United States we are united in proposing to the consideration of the Quarterly Meeting, the propriety of proposing to the Yearly Meeting, to Memorialize Congress, for its abolition in those parts under their immediate control. — The womens meeting uniting also herewith — Extracted from the minutes of the meeting aforesaid — — Ezra Meader Clerk —

The select Quarterly Meeting propose altering the time of holding that meeting from the eleventh hour, to the second in the afternoon.

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of the same day, with which this meeting
unites the former meeting concurring therewith,
the Clerk is directed to give the necessary in-
formation - Our Beloved friend Martha me-
having returned her thanks, granted her in
the 1st mo. 1837 - and informed this meeting that
she has been enabled to accomplish her visit
within the limits of New York Yearly meeting,
from which sundry acceptable certificates,
and minutes, on her behalf have been read
at this time and are to our satisfaction.
By a minute from Dover monthly meeting
It appears that Nossel Hanson has appealed
from the judgment of that meeting in his case.
Where upon we appoint John Hays, William Hill,
Isaac Varney, Jonathan Bide, and Joseph Varney
of Wofford - to meet the appellant with
a committee appointed by said monthly meeting
to examine the case and report to next meeting.

Joshua Meader is appointed Treasurer to
this meeting the Year ending, Who is directed
to forward our proportion of Yearly meeting
stocks to the Treasurer of the Yearly meeting.

Our Business being closed at this time, we
conclude proposing to meet again at the
usual time at North Berwick in the 8th mo.
next - - - Wm T. Brown Clerk

Moses
Hanson
appeals.

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At our Quarterly Meeting of friends held at North Berwick 8th mo 23rd 1838. —

By warrant received from our General meeting meeting & the following friends are appointed as representatives to this meeting viz for Ware Joseph Galtth Oliver Thomson and John Brown, for Berwick Joshua Meader Ezra Allen, and Albert O'Hussey — for Sandwich Chadwick Gusti Seduliah Fitch, and Lindley H. Teag. were all present —

Our Beloved Friend Joseph John Gurney attended this meeting and produced a certificate from a Norwich Monthly Meeting held in Norwich the 1st day of the 3rd mo 1837 commending him to the Care and Brotherly Sympathy of those among whom his lot may be cast — Enclosed by the Quarterly Meeting of Norfolk and Norwich held in Norwich the 30th of the 5th mo 1837 — Also a certificate from the Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held in London by adjournments, the 2nd and 23rd of the 5th mo: And the 3rd of 6th mo 1837 — expressive of much Sympathy with him in his well known undertakings —

His company and Gospel labors are acceptable, and edifying, —

Read the Minutes with the answers, received from our General Monthly Meetings —

Those appointed to attended our last Yearly Meeting inform they all attended. —

By our Monthly meeting we are informed they are united in approving

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the public ministry of Abigail M. Jones which after a time of consideration thrown this meeting with the concurrence of the Womens meeting unites therewith. the clerk is directed to give the necessary information — — —

The Committee appointed in the case of an appeal from the judgment, of Dover M^o Meeting by Moses Hanson are continued to next meeting. —

The Committee to extend care in the case of our friend Martha Meader, is continued to next meeting, the Committee appointed to take the necessary care in the case of our friend Benjamin inform care has been extended as far as appeared necessary — they are accordingly released. — — —

The communication from Sandwich M^o Meeting relative to the discipline being again introduced ^{called} and considered is continued. — — —

By the following extracts It appeared our last Yearly Meeting united with this meeting in altering the time of holding our Select Quarterly Meeting from the eleventh hour to the second in the afternoon of the same day and the clerk is directed to inform, said meeting thereof — — —

The following extracts from our last Yearly Meeting together with the report of the Boarding School Committee have been received and read, and are to our satisfaction — — —

EXTRACTS
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 10th to the 15th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1838.

THE following Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and a Committee appointed to consider the several propositions therein contained.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee report, That they have continued, during the past year, to give their attention to the various concerns of the Institution. Meetings for Divine worship have been regularly held, and harmony has prevailed. During the past autumn the School was visited, in common with the neighborhood, with Scarlet Fever, which attacked a large number of the inmates of the Institution, and proved fatal in two instances. In consequence of this solemn dispensation, many of the scholars returned to their homes, and did not subsequently re-enter the School; though for the past few months the family and scholars have been favored with the enjoyment of usual good health. The average number of scholars during the past year has been seventy-nine.

Our friends Rowland and Alice Rathbun are employed as Superintendents; and Samuel Austin and James Chase as Teachers in the Boys' School; and Emeline Aldrich and Elizabeth H. Osborne in the Girls'. George F. Read has charge of instruction in the Languages, and assists in keeping the Books; and Freelove Greene continues to act as a care-taker of the Girls, and to attend to the Sewing School. Moses B. Lockwood, who has recently left the Institution, has been employed as principal Teacher in the Boys' School during most of the past year.

The Committee have from time to time had under their consideration the propriety of dividing the year into two terms, with a vacation at the close of each term, instead of continuing under our present arrangement. Many advantages, it has appeared to them, would result from adopting this plan. It has, for several years, been a desirable object to enable the Teachers to introduce a better classification of the scholars in their various studies, than has been practicable under the existing system of admission at irregular intervals, and which they have believed would much facilitate their improvement. It has appeared to the Committee reasonable, that the health of the Teachers should be consulted, by affording them such relaxation from their employment as would result from the adoption of this arrangement. The consideration that the health of all the inmates of the Institution may be promoted by a more thorough cleansing of the house, twice in each year, than can be effected while its various apartments continue to be occupied, has also had much weight with them.

They are therefore united in proposing to the Yearly Meeting, that the year be divided into two terms of twenty-four weeks each, each term to be succeeded by a vacation of two weeks; the Summer term to commence on the second day preceeding the first fifth day in the fifth month, and the Winter term on the second day preceeding the first fifth day in the eleventh month; and that the last week of each term be occupied in an examination of the Schools, by Committees from time to time especially appointed to that service by the general School Committee.

Should this arrangement be approved by the Yearly Meeting, it will be expected that children shall enter the School at the commencement of each term; and consequently that the time of their continuance there, shall not, except under peculiar circumstances, and the approbation of the Acting Committee being first had, include a part of a term.

While this arrangement would, in the view of the Committee, be of essential advantage to the School, they are induced to believe that, when once carried into operation, it would not materially affect the convenience of parents. By far the greater number of children from the more distant parts of the Yearly Meeting now enter the School for a term of six months; and very few from any quarter remain there for a longer time, without making a visit to their friends. In cases, however, where great inconvenience is likely to arise to parents or children from the adoption of this plan, should any such present, the Committee will endeavor to make arrangements for their accommodation.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded its expenditures by \$1315 28 cts., and that the present indebtedness of the Institution is \$3813 37 cts. For more particular information of the expenditures we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account herewith.

presented. The pecuniary situation of the School will not, we think, warrant any reduction in the terms of admission from those concluded on last year; and we therefore propose that the price for members of Society, of our Yearly Meeting, be *thirty-three* dollars per term—for those who are not members of Society, who may be admitted, one or both of whose parents are members, *forty-five* dollars per term; and for members of other Yearly Meetings, *fifty* dollars per term, payable in advance. Books and stationery being furnished, as during the past year, at actual cost; with the understanding, that when scholars leave the School, the Books with which they have been supplied may be returned, by their paying for the use of them.

Seven scholars have received the benefit of the charitable fund, and by the terms of the Will of the principal donor, claims to the amount of \$131 04 cts. have been provided for, leaving a balance unexpended of about \$60—and supposing the income of this fund to continue the same, the ensuing year, the amount will be about \$160, which will support fourteen scholars one term each; and it is proposed that such Monthly Meetings as have children who are proper objects of this charity should make immediate application to the Acting School Committee for their admission.

We have continued to appoint Committees to visit the Schools, and attend to the examination of the Scholars in their various studies, once in six months. From the Report of the Committee who visited the School in the third month last, made to us at this time, we think it may be satisfactory for us to make the following extract:—‘The Committee to visit and examine the Schools report, that a number of them met at the time appointed, and proceeded to examine the Scholars in most or all the branches in which their attention had been engaged; and we feel free to acknowledge that we have cause to be thankful for the proficiency manifested by them in their various exercises, it being evident that they, as well as their Teachers, have been mindful of their duty, and that their attention had not been exclusively confined to improvement in literary and scientific studies, but that the more important pursuit of life, the attainment of piety and virtue, had not been overlooked. The deportment and general appearance of the Scholars were much to our satisfaction, and the harmony that manifestly prevails throughout the family is an evidence that the Institution is still under the care of Him who is able to preserve.’

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk*.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 4th, 1838.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee appointed to take into consideration the several propositions contained in the preceding Report of the Boarding School Committee, produced the following Report, viz:

“*To the Yearly Meeting.*—The Committee to whom was referred the propositions contained in the Report of the School Committee, have had the same under consideration, and have concluded to recommend, that the Yearly Meeting adopt that in relation to dividing the year into two terms of twenty-four weeks each, with vacations of two weeks each between them, and recommend that Friends conform themselves thereto in sending their children to the School. It is, however, considered by this Committee to be desirable that a liberal construction should be given to the rule providing for admission for not less than six months, in favor of such as may wish to go for a shorter term, to complete the time they propose to spend at the School.

“And after some discussion, it was agreed to recommend that the terms of board, tuition, &c. proposed by the School Committee, be adopted.

On behalf of the Committee,

STEPHEN A. CHASE,
ALICE CHASE.

6th month 13th, 1838.

Which being considered, was satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to append this Report to that of the Boarding School Committee, when transmitted to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

It appearing by the Report of the School Committee, that the charitable fund will support fourteen scholars one term each, Monthly Meetings that have children who are suitable objects of this charity, are requested to make immediate application to the acting School Committee for their admission, in order that such children (as are admitted by said Committee) may be in readiness to enter the School at the commencement of the Winter term, [which in the present year will begin on the 29th of tenth month.]

DURING the time that has been occupied in considering the state of Society, as brought into view by the answers to the Queries, a covering has been spread over the Meeting, under the influence of which we have been made in degree to rejoice, in the feeling, that notwithstanding our many backslidings,—that stripped and peeled as we are,—we are not yet forsaken by the Great Head of the Church; but that in condescending goodness, He is still disposed to be with us and to do us good; and that ‘in returning and rest,’ we may still be permitted to have hope in His continued mercies.

Much of pertinent counsel and caution was feelingly imparted, by concerned Friends now with us; and we were affectionately exhorted, in the love of the Gospel, to ‘be watchful and strengthen the things that remain, that are ready to die.’ That the Church endeavoring, through holy help, to edify itself together in love, may enter into a deep travail of spirit for a qualification to labor for the removal of every hurtful thing from within its borders; and especially, for the restoration of love and unity in cases of sorrowful departure from this sure badge of discipleship, that have been deeply painful to many minds; and that the members of the church individually, may be concerned, in preference to every other pursuit, to ‘seek first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness.’ *Then*, we were feelingly reminded, should we cease to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, for the solemn object, the reasonable duty, of worshipping our Father who is in Heaven; and that being cemented together in the bonds of brotherly love, we should be enabled unitedly to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.

Parents were tenderly exhorted to watch, with affectionate solicitude, over the minds of their children, and to seek in seasons of religious retirement with them, for ability rightly to discharge the very important duty of teaching them diligently, in the way that they should go; and the dear children were persuasively entreated, not to give way to any feeling that would lead them to withdraw themselves from under parental control, and to pursue a course of action independent of the counsel and advice of those who are thus watching over them for their good; but to bear in continued remembrance, the impressive injunction: ‘Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.—Honor thy father and thy mother, which is the first commandment with promise.’ And that *all*, of every age, may endeavor practically to bear in mind, that to the same extent that we are living members of the true church, we are members also one of another, and shall be led to consult its peace, by being kindly affectioned one toward another, and preferring one another in love.

A frequent perusal of the Holy Scriptures, with minds rightly turned to Him, under the influence of whose Spirit they were given forth—The restraints of Divine grace, operating upon the mind, in ordering our conduct and conversation among men;—an attention to its influence in restraining the perusal of improper books;—a careful regulation of our outward concerns by ‘the limitations of Truth’—and a faithful maintenance, on christian grounds, of the simplicity of our profession in behavior, speech, and apparel—were subjects, among others, that were also feelingly touched upon.

And our dear absent Brethren being brought into affectionate remembrance, with desires that they may be enabled to participate, in some degree, in the exercises that have engaged the attention of Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies of this Minute, with the other extracts, to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of New-England Yearly Meeting, held Sixth Month, 1838.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

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Recd. 350 printed copies of the Vindicator for the present year, they are directed to our monthly meeting for distribution among our members. It appears from the following extract that this meeting is part of a series of quarterly meetings of stock is \$81.25 which is directed to be apportioned as usual.

Our business being closed at this time we conclude, for this time, to meet again at the usual time in the 10th month next.

A Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwick 10th mo 25th 1838.

By accounts received from our several monthly meetings, the following Friends are appointed representatives to this meeting, viz. For Dover: Stephen Meader, Wm Tarnum & John Brown. For Sandwick: Dr. Meader, Mrs. D. Langley, Isaac Tarnum, Dr. Sandwick, Mrs. Polson, Mrs. Hoag & John Rude, who are all present.

Read the queries with the answers read from our several monthly meetings.

Our esteemed friend Anna D. King attended this meeting with a certificate of Unity from Sandwick monthly meeting of Friends held at Sandwick 10th mo 5th 1838, her Company of religious services have been acceptable. Our esteemed friend Abigail Nichols (in company) attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from Vassalboro monthly meeting dated 9th mo 19th 1838 expressive of unity with her in her respect. Her Company of religious labors have been acceptable.

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Also our ^{returned} friend Paul King in Company with his wife Anna D King attended the meeting with an extract of a minute from the mo. meeting of Friends at Sandwich dated 10th mo 5 1838. His accompaniment has been acceptable to us. — Also our esteemed Friend Abner Jackson attended this meeting in Company with his wife, with a copy of a minute from China mo. meeting dated 8th mo 14th 1838, his Company has been acceptable. The clerk is directed to extract the substance of the above minutes in favour of our Friends & sign the same on behalf of this meeting. — The com^t appointed to take care in case of our Friend Martha Meador relative to her religious visit, inform that care has been extended as far as appears necessary; they are accordingly released.

The communication relative to the discipline from Sandwich mo. meeting being again considered this meeting is united in continuing the same till next meeting.

The com^t in the case of an appeal by Moses Hanson, have made the following report which is accepted and this meeting is united confirming the judgement of Dues mo. meeting in his case. — The clerk is requested to inform said Quarterly meeting by an extract from this minute. — Wm Page is appointed to inform him of the conclusion of this meeting in his case.

Our Esteemed Friend Benjamin Smyth having at this time returned the certificate granted him by this meeting in the 4th mo 1837 & produced to this meeting returning minutes from the half years meeting of Friends of upper Canada.

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held the 30th & 31st of 8^{mo}. 1837 and in the 1st month 1838, & also from the Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Peru, all expressions of satisfaction with his company, religious labours, which are satisfactory to this meeting.

Our Business being closed at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at the usual time at Rochester in the first month next. *Adieu*

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester 1st mo 24th 1838

By accounts recd. from our monthly meetings it appears the following friends are appointed representatives to this meeting - viz for Dover Ruben Varney, Jesse Roberts & Gideon Bean for Permach, Am. Buffum, A. B. Bickell & Jos. Meader for Sandwich, John F. Fitch & Geo. Meader who are all present. Read the Minutes with the answers recd. from our several meetings to the 1st of 2nd mo.

Our beloved friend Saml Taylor Pratt ended this meeting with a copy of a minute of unity from Sidney monthly meeting held at Fairfield the 17th Inst. - His Company's Religious Services have been satisfactory & encouraging. The clerk is directed to furnish with a copy of the above minute ^{from} the same in behalf of this meeting.

First Month, 1838

The subject relative to the Discipline from Sandwich mo. meetg. Continued at our last meetg. for further consideration being again introduced & after a time of deliberation thereon this meeting concludes to dismiss the same from our minutes.

The friend appointed to inform Moses Hanson of the conclusion of this meeting in his case reports, &c. Service is not performed; the same is continued to next meetg.

As business being accomplished at this time we conclude, purposing to meet again at (Rockster) Dover at usual time in the 4th mo next.

John Brown

At Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held at ^{Rockster} ~~Rockster~~ 4th mo 2^{8th} 1839.

By accounts recd. from our mo. meetg. it appears the following friends are appointed, representatives - viz. For Dover Walter Sawyer, John Brown, For a Quaker, S. B. Wick, Joshua Meader, Andrew Austin, & Jos. Backitt. For Sandwich, Benjamin Fry, Jos. Varnum & Ezra Meader, who are all present.

The time having expired for which the clerk were appointed the representatives propose John Brown for clerk and John D. Lang for an assistant clerk. They are accordingly appointed to that service the year ensuing.

Fourth Month 1849

The Queries are read, with the answers to them from our second mo. meeting.

The following Summary is intended to represent the state of our meeting in the particular embraced in the Queries, and the Clerk is directed to forward the same with our account together with the necessary extracts, to the ensuing Yearly meeting to be held in Rhode Island; and we appoint our friends, Ezra Meader, John D. Lang, Oliver Thompson, John Brown representatives to the aforesaid Yearly meeting.

The friend appointed to inform Moses H. Aaron the conclusion of this meeting in his case, continued at our last meeting reports said service performed.

By a minute from Dover monthly meeting it appears that Nathl. James has appealed from the Judgment of that meeting, in his Case, Whereupon we appoint Wm. H. W. Do^r Meader, Jos^{ph} Varney of Welford, Samuel Robert, of Sandwell, and Jos^{ph} Austin, to meet the appellant with a court appointed by said monthly meeting to examine the Case and report to next meeting. John Brown is appointed Treasurer, to this meeting the year ensuing, who is directed to forward our proportion of Y. Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting. Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at the usual time, at the North Burial in the same month.

John Brown (Clerk)

At a Quarterly Meeting of
Friends held at North Burwick Nov 22 1833

By accounts recd. from our mo. mtg^s
the representatives therein appointed are
Mr. Dover, So^l Tuttle, Don^a Lane &
Jonk Brown. For Burwick Isaac
Varny, Andrew Austin & Elijah Neal.
For Sandwich John Hoag, Jedediah
Hitch & Ezra Meade, who are all present.
The Queries are read with the answers
from our several mo. meetings.

Our beloved Friend Dan^l Wheeler
from Great Britain attended this mtg^s
who presented satisfactory certificate, of the
unity of his friends at home, with him & his
present religious engagements. His Company
and religious Service have been acceptable.

Our our beloved friend Elizabeth Robson from
Great Britain, has been with us at this time,
her Company & religious Service have been
acceptable. She having produced Satis-
factory certificate of the unity & sympathy of
her friends at home, with her and her present
religious En. engagements. — Our our beloved
Friend Thos^l Robson from Great Britain in
company with his wife Elizabeth has been
acceptably with us, with a minute of the
unity of his friends at home which is Satis-
factory.

Our beloved friend
So^l Edgerton attended this meeting and
presented a certificate from Somerset mo.
meeting of Friends State of Ohio, and en-
dorsed by Stillwater Quarterly meeting Expres-
sive of their unity with him & his religious
En. engagements. His Company & religious Service
have been acceptable.

Also the company of our friend Wm^l
Dover, companion to So^l Edgerton has
been acceptable, he having produced a Satis-
factory minute of the unity of his friends at home with him this present

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Our beloved friend Benja. Taber acceptably attended this meeting with a satisfactory Certificate from Starkboro. Mo. meeting of Friends held 5th of 7th mo 1839 & endorsed by Fennsburg Quarterly meeting.

Also our beloved friend Philo Taber in company with his husband Benja. Taber acceptably attended this meeting with a satisfactory Certificate from the same monthly meeting and endorsed by the same Quarterly meeting.

We have also had at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friend Joanna Mear with a minute of unity from Vandalboro monthly meeting.

The friends appointed to attend our Yearly meeting in the 6th mo last, inform they attended accordingly. The following Epistle from the Yearly meeting of Friends for New England to its subordinate meetings together with extracts of the report of the Training School committee was read, & read and are to our satisfaction. Copies thereof are directed to be forwarded to our monthly meetings.

It appears by the following extract, that meeting's proportion of yearly meeting Stock for the year ensuing is \$81.25 which is directed to be apportioned as usual.

The Comt. appointed by our Quarterly meeting in the 4th mo last in the case of an appeal from the judgement of Dover ^{Q^{tr}} meeting by Nathl. Samos have made the following report. To the Quarterly meeting to be held at North Pennick the 2^d Inst.

In accordance with our appointment we have had an interview with Nathl. Samos on the subject of his appeal, have heard the several statements in the case, carefully considered the subject & it is our opinion that it would be best to confirm the decision of our mo. mety. thereon, which is submitted. North Pennick 22^d of 8th mo 1839

J. S. Samos
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Which is accepted and the judgment
of Dover mo. mty. accordingly confirmed
and John Brown & Son a. Davis are appoin-
ted to inform said Chas. of and of his right
of appeal, the Clerk is directed to inform
said mo. mty. by an extract of this meeting.

Our business being clos'd at this time we
conclude preparing to meet again at
the usual time at Sandwiel in the
10th mo next. John Brown. Clerk.

EXTRACTS

FROM THE MINUTES OF THE

YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,

HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 16th to the 21st, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1839.

The Annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was received and read, and being satisfactory to the Meeting, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, with the Circular of the Committee, issued in 1835, thereto appended.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.

In again presenting their Annual Report to the Yearly Meeting the School Committee feel it right, notwithstanding some discouragements, gratefully to commemorate the mercy that has been extended to us, through which the various inmates of the Institution have been preserved in good health, and the School, we have cause to believe, has continued to be useful to those who have been placed in it.

Meetings for Divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the time of the vacations, and harmony we believe prevails. The average number of scholars during the past year has been seventy-seven.

The late Superintendents of the School having resigned their trust, we have engaged our friends Allen and Olive Wing to act in that capacity, who have entered upon the discharge of their duties; and Jonathan L. Slocum, Samuel Austin and George F. Read, are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Emmeline Aldrich and Elizabeth H. Osborne in the Girls'.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been settled, by which it appears that the debts of the Institution have been reduced during the past year, and that its present indebtedness is about two thousand dollars. For more particular information of the receipts and expenditures we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith presented. In the present condition of the finances of the School, we have not thought it proper to propose any change in the terms from the prices of last year—which are \$33 per term, for members of this Yearly Meeting; \$15 for those scholars who are not members, where one or both parents are members, and \$50 for the members of other Yearly Meetings, payable in advance. Ten Dollars per term, additional charge, is made for instruction in the Languages. We have concluded to propose that stationary and books be furnished the children, for their use in the School, free of expense, except such as are necessary in the study of the higher branches, including the Mathematics and the Languages, and that these be supplied at their actual wholesale cost.

The income of the charitable fund will about support *ten* scholars, one term each, and Monthly Meetings that may desire to occupy the privilege are requested to make application to the Acting School Committee in season for their admission at the commencement of the winter term, which this year will be on the fourth day of the eleventh month.

The division of the year into two terms with vacations has, we think, proved salutary in practice, and the examination at the close of each term has been interesting and useful; but in order that it may not be interrupted during its progress, we desire that no child may be withdrawn from the School until it is completed, which it is intended shall take place on fifth day of the last week of the term; so that children will be ready to leave on sixth day morning of that week.

The observance of plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, among the inmates of the Institution, has continued to claim our very serious attention, and we have laboured for the maintenance of the ancient testimonies of our Society in these respects. We have believed that usefulness might result from again forwarding the accompanying Circular, issued in 1835, to the several meetings of Friends; and the various Committees of the Monthly Meetings in recommending scholars to the School, as well as parents and guardians, are earnestly requested to exercise a care that the provisions therein contained are faithfully observed.

We also think it right to remind Friends of the established regulation of the School, that none are admitted into the male department, over fourteen years of age, who have not previously received permission from the Sub-Committee, which meets at the School House in Providence on third day preceding the first fifth day in every month.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 3d of 5th month, 1839.

[The next Summer term will commence on Second-day, 5th mo. 4th, 1840.]

At a meeting of the Committee of the New England Yearly Meeting Boarding School,
held 8th mo. 7th, 1835—

The subject of an increased observance in this Institution of plainness of speech, behavior and apparel having, from time to time, claimed the serious attention of this Committee, and a lively concern on this account having been manifested at our last Yearly Meeting, we have believed it right for us at this time to revive the subject to our friends, and to point out, more explicitly than we have heretofore done, what we consider a proper dress for the children of this School.

While we feel that we are not called upon to enter extensively into a vindication of the propriety of maintaining our testimony in the particulars alluded to, we would affectionately remind our younger friends, that they are in accordance, as we believe, with the beautiful system of Christian simplicity taught by our blessed Lord and his apostles. And we may appeal to the experience of our Society to prove, that they have been as a hedge round about us, which it has ever been perilous to break down: and when, in individual instances, this has been done, that weakness and loss have been the consequence.

We should ever remember the apostolic exhortation, "Let your moderation be known unto all men." And "let not your adorning be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold and of putting on of apparel, but let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is, in the sight of God, of great price."

Were our minds, dear friends, duly impressed with a sense of the matchless love of our adorable Redeemer and Preserver—were our hopes and dependence placed on Him—how should we be raised above the undue attachment to the things of time and sense and a conformity to the vain fashions and customs of the world. And in accordance with the recommendations of our Discipline, we earnestly desire that parents and guardians would impress upon the minds of their children, the necessity of maintaining plainness of speech and behaviour, which is strictly required in the School; and it will be expected of every male admitted into this Institution, that his body-coat, jacket and vest, be single-breasted, and without lappels or falling collars, and where any of these are figured, that they be of patterns consistent with the plainness required in other parts of the dress—and that they wear hats, caps being excluded.

In the dress of females, we expect a correspondent degree of plainness, and that they avoid the extravagance of the fashions of the present day. They will be required to wear silk, or plain straw bonnets, without any trimmings for ornament. Their frocks or gowns should be of materials that are plain in color, and conformable in the size of the sleeves, and in other respects to convenience and propriety, and not according to the vain fashions of the world. Their handkerchiefs and collars should be without edgings or trimmings—and no article intended for ornament merely, will be permitted to be worn.

In order to carry into effect these regulations, the Superintendents are to examine the trunks and packages of the children previous to admission, and if any articles are found unsuitable on account of plainness, or for any other cause, they will be laid aside, or altered, and the expense charged to the parents or guardians.

No scholar will be admitted into the School after the present quarter, or permitted to remain here, who does not comply stictly with these regulations. And Committees of Monthly Meetings are desired to be careful not to give certificates to any children who will not conform thereto.

EPISTLE

FROM THE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND, TO ITS SUBORDINATE MEETINGS.

BEING again permitted to meet in our annual Assembly, our dear absent Friends have been affectionately brought to our remembrance, and we have been desirous that they might be partakers to some extent with us, in the exercises and interesting concerns that have claimed our attention.

Our meeting has been large and solemn; and we have had cause reverently to acknowledge that the wing of ancient Goodness has been in measure mercifully over us, and under its covering we have been favoured to conduct the concerns of the Church, that have come before us, in much brotherly love—to the Lord be the praise. We have had the acceptable company of several dear Friends from other Yearly Meetings, who have laboured to our comfort and edification.

By the Answers to the Queries, it appears that there are many deficiencies within our borders, and we have been brought earnestly to desire that there may be an increased concern among our members individually, faithfully to labour for their removal. A neglect of attending meetings for divine worship, particularly in the middle of the week, and a want of love and unity are among the painful deficiencies that are brought into view. Love to God and love to man—on these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. When we remember our dependence upon Almighty God; when we reflect that every blessing that we enjoy both temporal and spiritual proceedeth from Him; that all things were formed and are still sustained by the word of His Power; that it is of His mercy that we are not consumed; how can we neglect the reasonable service of assembling ourselves together to worship Him? And how, beloved Friends, can we put up our petition to Him, that He will be pleased to forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, while we continue to harbour in our hearts unkind feelings towards a brother? If we are wanting in these two most essential qualifications of the christian—love to God and love to man,—it is in vain for us to attempt to support availingly, any of our religious principles and testimonies; and we have been renewedly made sensible that a deficiency herein has led to the other departures that have been brought to our notice. Let us, dear Friends, scrupulously examine ourselves and know the condition of our hearts in this respect.

Among the failures in duly maintaining our religious testimonies we notice with sorrow, some of a military nature. The faithful support of our religious views of the peaceable nature of the Gospel of Christ has been felt by us at this time to be of great weight. We believe that our predecessors in religious faith had their minds divinely illuminated to understand the teachings of Christ and his Apostles on this subject, and that it is our duty to endeavour to come up faithfully in their footsteps. There are, as we apprehend, errors on either hand on this important doctrine; but we earnestly crave for our members that they may be preserved on the ancient, christian ground of our religious Society; believing that they will find this to be practical and safe ground for them to stand upon.

It is a day, beloved Friends, when the eyes of the people are much turned towards us; and we have ardently coveted that our Light might so shine before men that they seeing our good works may glorify our Father who is in Heaven.

The doctrine of the necessity of the immediate, qualifying power of the Holy Spirit in order for the discharge of religious duty, has ever been a fundamental principle of our Society, and must continue to be acknowledged by all faithful Friends as being necessary for us practically to receive. Our testimonies against War, Oaths, Slavery, &c. are *religious* testimonies; and we believe we can only successfully plead them before the world, or effectively enforce them upon others, as we receive this Heavenly qualification from the Great Head of the Church.

This Meeting has been introduced into much concern that our members may be preserved from attempting in their own time and strength to do the work of the Lord. Remember the declaration of the dear Redeemer—"My time is not yet come; but your time

is always ready." And we have been led to fear that in associating with others who do not acknowledge, as we do, the need of this immediate, divine qualification in order for the performance of religious duties, we are in great danger of neglecting this fundamental principle, and of attempting to act with them in our own strength and zeal; and thus lose that ability to labour successfully in the Lord's cause which He is pleased graciously to vouchsafe to those whom He calls into His service. And under this feeling of concern we believe it right for us tenderly to persuade our dear Friends to avoid mingling with the various associations of the day for the support of those Christian testimonies which our Society has peculiarly felt itself called upon to bear before the world; but keeping together as a religious body, in love—looking unto the great Helper of His people for Holy assistance, we may yet trust, in the Lord's own good time, to be in some measure the humble instruments in His hand of doing His heavenly will.

Oh! dear Friends, let us be engaged to watch unto prayer; let us gather home in the spirits of our minds unto the Great Shepherd and Bishop of souls, and reverently wait upon Him; that thus we may be preserved from the spirit, the maxims and the policy of the world that leads unto death. May we be favoured to abide in Christ—"As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself except it abide in the vine; no more can ye except ye abide in me." And now, beloved Friends, farewell. We desire that in simple faith we may commit ourselves into the preserving hand of Him "who is able to keep us from falling and to present us faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy—to whom be glory and majesty, dominion and power forever."

Signed by direction, and on behalf of our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, from the 16th to the 21st of the Sixth Month, inclusive, 1839.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.

HANNAH GOULD, jun. Clerk.

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At General Quarterly meeting of Friends
held at Sandwich 10th mo 24th 1839

By accounts recd. from our several mo.
meetings, the friends and appointed rep-
resentatives to this meeting, for Dover and
Barn, Asa Felt, of Olney Thompson for
Barnick John Buffum Isaac Varnum
for York, Meader, for Sandwich Joshua
Kear, Stephen Fide of Joshua Felt, and
who are all present.

The Minutes are read with their usual
answers, recd. from our several mo. meetings.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Meader
attended this meeting & produced satisfac-
tory minutes from Sandwich mo. meetg -
dated June 25th 1839, her company and religious
service have been acceptable.

Also our beloved friend Elizabeth Felt
attended this meeting with satisfactory minutes
from Sea Brook mo. meeting held at Salt
field 3rd of 10th mo 1839. Her company & relig-
ious service have been acceptable.

The comtee appointed in the care of
Nathl James inform they have attended
their duties and inform ^{friends} accordingly.

Extracts from the minutes of our Quarterly
ly. meetg. in, 11th 8th mo last in favour of our
friends Asa Edgerton his Companion, Mary a
Tabor and wife, have been read at this time
being satisfactory to the meetg. the clerk is direct-
ed to sign the same on behalf of this meeting.
The Clerk is directed to extract the substance
of the within minutes in favor of our friend, Elizth
Meader & Elizabeth Felt and sign the same on
behalf of this meeting.

Tenth Month 1839

The weighty subject of visiting families in individuals & meetings, as may may open for in the truth, having been in a pleasing manner brot. before this meeting. Deliberately considered & much was expressed. ~~this meeting~~ ^{the} meeting is united in the appointment of our friends, Mr. D. Lang, Jos. Thistle, Cyrus Meader, Sam. Brown, Chas. Thompson, Emily M. Hoag, Anne Fay, Ann Hoag, and Joshua Meader, to give such counsel & advice as may may open for best wisdom direct. Our business being closed at this time, we conclude postponing to meet again at the usual time at Rochester in the 1st mo next.

John Brown

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Rochester 1st mo 23^d 1840

By accounts recd. from our several meetings the following friends, are appointed ~~as~~ representatives to this meeting, for Dover Chas. Thompson, John Varny & John Canny. Ben. Burdick, Thos. Hill, John D. Lang & Cyrus Buffum & Sandwick, Shadrach Hasty, Saml. Pade & Lindley M. Hoag - who are present except Saml. Pade.

Our beloved friend John Willard attended this meeting and produced satisfactory minutes from South Kingston mo. meeting of 1st mo, held at Hopkinton Rhode Island 11th mo 23^d 1839 in company & religious friends have been acceptable.

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Our ever beloved friend John Meador attended this meeting with satisfactory minutes from Providence me. mtg. of Friends, held at Nov 24th of 4th mo 1839 his company & religion, do me than be acceptable.

The Clerk is directed to furnish him with an extract of the above minutes and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Oliver Depew ^{acceptably} attended this meeting and produced satisfactory certificates, minutes from China me. mtg. of Friends dated 1st mo 4th 1840.

Our Esteemed frd. Robert Cook (company) & Depew acceptably attended this meeting with a copy of a minute from China me. mtg. dated 1st mo 4th 1840.

The Minutes are read with their required amendments from our former me. meetings.

Our beloved friend Lindley M. Hoag opened in this meeting a prospect of attending Yearly ^{Separate} meeting & of appointing some meeting amongst friends, and others, within the limits thereof as expressed in the within certificate, which claiming the celebrated Solid Convocation of the meeting is united with and he left at about 10 to pursue his prospect as best wisdom may direct. He being a minister in unity with us.

The business ^{of our meeting} being accomplished at this time we conclude suspending to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th mo next.

John D. Spring Assistant Clerk
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Fourth Month 1840

At Town Quarterly meeting of friends
held at Dover 4th mo 23^d 1840

By account, recd. from our friends and meeting
the following friends are appointed representa-
tives to this meeting. Rev. Dr. J. S. Tupper,
Jona Dana, Jesse Roberts, for N. Burdick
Joshua Meador, L. D. Pracht, Wm. Elgar
Nash, for Sandwich, Stephen Ande-
rson, H. H. B., Ezra Meador who are all
present.

The time having expired for which the clerk was appointed the representatives proposed John Brown for Clerk & Oliver Thompson for an assistant clerk. & they are accordingly appointed to that service at a future meeting. Bro. beloved of Charles Osborne attended this meeting, and presented a certificate from the Synodical meeting of friends held in Wayne Co. State of Indiana the 17th & 18th Nov 1837. & endorsed by White water Quarterly meeting of Feb, held at Milford, Wayne Co. Ia. 9^{mo} 7th 1837. Expression of their unity with him & his present religious engagements, his Company of religion, & union have been acceptable & edifying. Also one beloved of Geo. Coates

Companion to Charles. Orbits attended this morn-
ing and presented satisfactory minutes from
Spiceland m. m. m. of pro. Hurray Co. Pa. held 25th
of 9th mo 1839. His Company has been acceptable.

The Quereis are read, with the answers thereto
read from our Sunday Scho. mss. from which
the following summary is intended to represent
the state of our meeting and the particulars con-
tained in our Quereis. The Clerk is directed to

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forward the same with our account together with the necessary extracts to the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held on N. H. Island and in appoint our friends, Rev. Tuttle John D. Luzz, J. W. Barry & Lindley M. Hays representatives to attend the aforesaid Yearly meeting.

John Brown is appointed Treasurer to this meeting the year ensuing, who is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly meeting - The substance of the within minutes in favor of our friends Charles Elton & George Evans to their respective monthly meetings, has been read, united with, & signed by the Clerk -

The Clerk is directed to extract the substance of the minute in favor of our friend John Willer, in the 1st M. last, with the addition of his having acceptably attended most other meetings here to, belonging, and sign the same on behalf of this meeting -

Received three hundred printed copies of the "London General Epistle" which are directed to our Monthly meetings for distribution. Also received from the 'meeting for sufferings' four hundred (400) copies of a Declaration of the views of Friends in relation to Church Government - And the same number in relation to Civil government which are directed to our Monthly meeting for distribution -

Our business being closed at this time we conclude, purposing to meet again at the usual time at North Berwick in the 5th mo. next -

John Brown Clerk

Eighth Month 1840

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of friends held
at North Berwick Sun: 2^d 1840

By accounts received from our
monthly meetings the representatives therein appointed
are for Dover, Wm. Page, John Brown & John Dand,
for Berwick, Joseph Brackett, Andrew Austin, and
Asa Allen, — for Sandwich, Stephen Bude,
Lindley M. Hoag & John Hoag, who are all present.

Our beloved friend Clark Stevens,
attended this meeting and presented a certificate
from Starbrough Mo: Meeting of friends, held
at Lincoln Vermont Sun: 5th 1840, expressive of
their unity with him in his present religious engage-
ment, & endorsed by Farrelburg Quarterly Meeting of
friends, held at the Table New York, 8th of
Sun: 1840. — His Company & religious services have
been acceptable. — Also, our esteemed friend

John Huntington Jr. Companion to our friend Clark
Stevens attended this meeting & presented a copy
of a minute from Starbrough Mo: Meetings
of friends held at Lincoln Vermont — 7th 1840 —
his Company has been acceptable.

The Queries are read, with the
answers thereto received ^{and} our monthly meetings, to
the 1st 2^d 1840, Query — It appears by the follow-
ing extract that the meetings for portion of yearly meeting
stock the year ensuing is seventy five dollars —
which the Clerk is directed to apportion as usual.

Those appointed as representatives to attend
our last Yearly Meeting report they all attended —

The following extracts, from the minutes of our
Yearly meeting in the year last, together with the
report of the Boarding School Committee have been
received & read, & are to our satisfaction; Copies thereof
are directed to our monthly meetings — Received the printed
Copies of the London General Epistle for 1840 —

E X T R A C T S
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 14th to the 19th, inclusive, of the Sixth Month, 1840.

THE Annual Report of the Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School, under the care of this Meeting, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The School Committee Report, That they have endeavoured during the past year to attend to the service to which they were appointed by the Yearly Meeting. The average number of Scholars, for the year, has been eighty-six; for the past term, one hundred and eighteen. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing continue to serve acceptably as Superintendents. Samuel Austin and Pliny Chase are employed as Teachers in the male department, and Emmeline Aldrich and Elizabeth Osborne, in the female School. Jonathan L. Slocum has been engaged in the Institution as a Teacher during the past year, and Charles F. Coffin, jun. and Sarah J. Brown as assistant Teachers during the last term. George F. Read continues to give instruction in the Languages, and to have charge of the accounts.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded its expenditures by \$3,444 51, by which we are enabled to liquidate the debt of the Institution reported last year, and leave in the Treasury a balance of \$1,136 84. We do not think it expedient, however, to propose to the Yearly Meeting any considerable reduction in the terms of the admission of scholars, as the situation of the house and premises is such that a pretty large expenditure will soon be required for repairs and improvements. For details of the receipts and expenses we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith forwarded.

Ten scholars have enjoyed the privilege of the charitable fund the last term, and the same number may be received for the next winter term; and monthly meetings are requested to forward their applications for this privilege, by the time of the meeting of the Sub-Committee, on the 29th of 9th month next.

We would propose that the price per term, for admission of members of this Yearly Meeting, be \$30, commencing with the ensuing winter term: for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, (should any such by direction of the Yearly Meeting be received) be continued at \$15; and for members of other Yearly Meetings, \$50; and that \$10 per term additional charge should still be made for instruction in the Languages. Stationary and books, (except such as are required for the study of the

higher branches of Mathematics and the Languages) we would propose, should continue to be furnished at the expense of the Institution.

In the discharge of the duties that have devolved upon us in the direction of the concerns of the School, we have been desirous to keep steadily in view the original design of Friends in its establishment, viz. "the imparting to the youth of our Society a religious, guarded education, free from the contaminating influences of the world." While situated in this Institution we feel that parents have a right to expect that their children will be in good degree preserved from the hurtful things that abound in the world; that their tender minds will not receive impressions calculated to lessen their attachment either to the principles of our religious Society, or to the testimonies founded upon them. The press at the present day teems with publications, many of which are such as concerned parents would be unwilling should be placed within the reach of their children; and to maintain our Christian discipline, by restraining, so far as we are able, "from the reading of pernicious books," has appeared to us to be an important duty to be exercised by the Committee, and which we believe has rested with weight upon those who have been under this appointment, since the first establishment of the School. The time for which most of the pupils are placed in the Institution being limited, and necessarily mostly occupied in pursuing their regular studies, much opportunity is not afforded for general reading; and as the School is furnished with a valuable Library, consisting of not less than fourteen hundred volumes of well selected books, received principally from the bequests of our late beloved friends Moses and Obadiah Brown, to which the children have free access, we thought it proper in the 11th month last, after carefully considering what books and publications it was best to use and receive in the School, to adopt the following regulation, viz. "Believing that the Library of this Institution, together with the books and periodicals that have already been approved by this Committee, will afford the means for as great a variety of reading as the time and best interests of the scholars will require, it is our judgment that it is not expedient to extend the number at the present time; but that any books or publications brought by the scholars, or sent to them, be laid aside and preserved for them until they leave the School; or, if deemed best by the Superintendents, forwarded to their parents or guardians." While by adhering to this rule, we are aware that many writings are excluded with which we have no controversy, yet with the exercise of a sufficient liberality on the part of the Committee in the admission of those that will be likely to be productive of usefulness, we apprehend its adoption will not be deemed oppressive; but we trust it will prove a relief and satisfaction to many parents in different sections of the Yearly Meeting, who wish to place their children in the School.

During the past year, with the exception of the latter part of the last term, when the measles prevailed extensively but mildly in the house, the various inmates of the family have been favored with the enjoyment of nearly uninterrupted good health; which mercy, among the many we have received, calls for gratitude to Him from whom cometh all our blessings.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

Boarding School, 5th mo. 8th, 1840.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 11th mo. 2d. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 5th mo. 3d, 1841.]

One of which has been read at this time to our satisfaction & encouragement. They are ~~regularly~~ directed to our usual monthly meetings for distribution -

Our beloved friend Lundy McHenry having returned the minute furnished him by our Quarterly Meeting in 1st mo last, with the satisfactory information that he had been enabled to accomplish his visit to the relief of his own mind. Our business being closed at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at our church at the usual time, the 10th inst -

John V Brown, Clerk

Tenth Month 1840

At Quarter Meeting of friends
held at Sandwich 10m 22^d 1840

By Accounts received from our
monthly meetings, the representatives, therein
appointed, are for Dover, Olney Thompson, Timothy
Hanson, & James Canney— for Barnick, William
Hill, John D. Lang & Isaac Varney— for Sandwich,
Walter Roberts, John Tolson & Joshua Tolson,
who are all present—

The Queries are read, with the
answers thereto received from, our monthly meetings, to
the 1st, 2^d & 10th Query—

The Company Religious Services
of our beloved friend Clark Stevens have been
acceptable at this time, also the Company of our
friend John Huntington Jr., (his Companions) has
been acceptable— Ministers, in their farms, to their
respective monthly meetings, have been read of
being satisfactory, the Clerk is directed to sign
the same on behalf of this meeting—

The Committee appointed by our
Quarterly Meeting in the 10th mo last year to visit
families & individuals as may might open for
inform, some Care has been extended, but no
report prepared at this time; they are continued
to next meeting— Our business being closed at
this time, we conclude, purposing to meet again
at the usual time at Rochester, in the 1st
mo next—

John Brown Clerk

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c. t. Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held at
Hachester 1st mo 22th 1841

By accounts received from our several monthly
meetings the Representatives were named
one for Dover Obrey Thompson Jesse Roberts
and Member Vanney for Berneuse Isaac
Vanney Joseph Meader & Albert C. Hussey
for Sandwich Joseph Vanney Jonathan Beede
and Daniel Fry who being called are all present

The Minutes have been read in this meeting
and the required answers from our monthly
meeting

The Committee appointed in the 10th mo
of 1839 to visit Subordinate meetings and man-
agers as many might after and were continued
at last meeting inform they have given some
attention to the subject but are not prepared to
report they are continued

Our beloved friend Moses W. Beede has
attended this meeting and produced a Satisfactory
Certificate of concurrence from Mahan's Island
monthly meeting held at Newport 11th mo 26th
1840 This company and religious services
have been Satisfactory and encouraging to us
The clerks are directed him with a copy of this
minute

Our beloved friend David Dudley has
attended this meeting and produced a minute
of concurrence from Vassalborough monthly
held 1st mo 20th 1841 his company and religious
services have been Satisfactory and encouraging
to us

Also we have at this time the available com-
pany of our friend David Douglas come near
to our last named friend he has also produced
a ~~letter~~ ^{of concurrence} minute from Vassalborough monthly
meeting held 1st mo 20th 1841

The business of our meeting being
accomplished at this time we conclude
prophesying to meet again at Dover at the
usual time in the 2nd mo next

Erne Meader Clerk for the day

Jan^y 11th month 1841

A Dover Quarterly meeting held at Dover
4th mo 22 1841

The accounts being received from
our several monthly meetings the representatives
therein named are for Dover John Carney
William Page & William Carney for Berwick
Joseph Brachet Joshua Meader & Cyrus Buffum
for Sandwich Joseph C. Bean Walter Roberts
and Benjamin Fay who are all present -
The time being expired for which the clerks
were appointed the representatives Joseph
C. Bean Meader for Clerk and Obrey Thompson
for assistant clerk which being directed with
they are appointed to that service the ensuing year
The queries have been read in this meeting
with answers thereto from our several month-
ly meetings from which the following summary
is prepared for the ensuing yearly meeting
suppose the Clerk is directed to forward with all
the necessary extracts from this meeting

Answer 1st All our meetings ^{have been} are attended except
two owing to impassable roads on first days
by the greater part of friends. The same being
dictated by some benevolent and judicious meeting
the hour mostly observed. Generally clear of
unbecoming behavior except some instances of
hecking and some care taken in the several
deferences -

Ans 2^d Love & Unity in good measure maintained
amongst us - tho' wthout exceptions in
some instances - Detraction monthly guarded
against - Some care taken to end differences
when they have arisen -

Ans 3^d The better most friends are careful to bring
up those under their direction in plainness
to restrain them from reading pernicious
books and from corrupt conversation also to
be exemplary herein themselves. we believe
the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in
most friends families -

Ans 4th Careful in the several particulars
of this query. except a few instances of
wrong spirituals liquor other than for medicine
and some care taken -

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Ans 5th No cause of complaint appears except
two instances of Slaining Minors from amongst
friends

Ans 6th Generally careful except one instance of
of marrying out -

Ans 7th Careful as far as appears

Ans 8th Most friends are in a good degree careful in
their respects

Ans 9th Mostly clear as to recording clear as to certifi-
cates except a few instances

Ans 10th Care has been taken to deal with offer-
-ders we trust in a good degree answerable to
this Query. Altho not without delay in some
instances Judgment has been placed where it has
appeared necessary

We appoint John D. Lang Benjamin Fry
Gideon Meader & Timothy Hanson to attend
the ensuing Yearly Meeting as the representatives

Jonathan Dams is appointed treasurer
At this meeting the ensuing year one he
is directed to forward our proportion of
Yearly meeting Stock to the Treasurer of the
Yearly meeting

Our beloved friend Sophronia Paige has
attended this this meeting and produced
a satisfactory minute of concurrence from
Salem monthly meeting dated the 8th of 4th mo.
1841 her company and religious services
have been acceptable to us and she is direc-
ted to be furnished with a copy of the above
minute

The committee appointed in the 10th mo
1839 to visit subordinate meetings and en-
-quire as near as it might be made the
following report which is accepted and they
released from further service.

At the quarterly meeting
We have given attention to the subject of a new app-
-ointment and the society has not opened for very
extensive labor yet some service has been rendered
as may be seen from it to a good degree of satisfaction
In behalf of the committee benevolent friends
Salem P. M. Chh.

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And the Subject Still claiming the Sated consid-
eration of this meeting and apprehending that
usefulness may arise from a similar appointment
the appoint or a leader Oney Thompson Joseph
Little Lindere H. Haas Tobiasa leader Benjamin
one John D. Lang Joseph Carney Joshua Jenkins
and Joseph Bricket to visit subordinate meetings
families and individuals as may may appear for it
and give such counsel and advice as circumstances
may require and best wisdom direct —

The business of our meeting being accom-
plished at this time we propose to
meet again at North Benning at the usual
time in the 8th month next by our leader clerk

Eighth month 1841

Dover Quarterly of Friends held at North
Benning 8th mo 26th 1841

My accounts received from our several month-
ly meeting the representatives they are
for Dover Joseph Little Tobiasa leader and
James Carney for Benning Elijah Jenkins
Benajah Buffum & Elatah Hussy for Sandwich
Daniel Lang Thomas Jones & John Haas

The clerk being absent John D. Lang is appointed
clerk for this time —

Our beloved friend Samuel Gifford attended
this meeting and produced a satisfactory certifi-
cate of concurrence from Sandwich (Mass)
monthly meeting held 8th mo 6th 1841 his compa-
ny and religious services have been acceptable
to us

Likewise our esteemed friend Zeno Kelley
companion to our friend Samuel Gifford attended
this meeting with a satisfactory minute of con-
currence from Sandwich monthly meeting
held 8th mo 6th 1841 his company has been accept-
able to us

Our beloved friend Fludate Haas attended this
meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate
from Fennsburch monthly meeting of Friends State
of Vermont held at Monkton 8th mo 28th 1841 and
endorsed by Fennsburch quarterly meeting held
at Monkton 8th mo 5th 1841 her company and
religious services have been acceptable to us

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Our beloved friend, Debe C. Haines attended this meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate from Med. Wm monthly meeting (Sayette County Pa) 28th of 4th mo. 1841 endorsed by Med. Wm quarterly meeting held at Providence (Sayette County Pa) 1st of 5th mo. 1841 her company and services have been acceptable.

Our Esteemed friend Eli Haines attended this meeting in company with his wife Phebe Haines and produced a minute of concurrence from Med. Wm monthly meeting held 28th of 4th mo. 1841 his company has been acceptable to us.

The Queries have been read in this meeting and answers to the 1st 2^d & 10th from monthly meetings.

Those appointed to attend our last yearly meeting inform they all attended.

The annual report of the Boarding School Committee has been received and read and is acceptable.

The Clerk is directed to forward an extract of the minute taken at our last Quarterly meeting on behalf of Sophronia Page.

Our Esteemed friend Jonathan H. Haagenius - has in unity with us spread before this meeting a prospect which has for a considerable time existed in his mind to perform a religious visit to friends and other brethren the limits of Virginia & North Carolina yearly meetings also some places within New York Philadelphia & Baltimore yearly meeting on his way going and returning as expressed in the certificate granted him by Sandwich monthly meeting the subject having claimed the said consideration of this meeting his prospect was united with and he left at liberty to accomplish the same as best wisdom shall direct and the Clerk is directed to endorse the above minute on his certificate and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

John Strong Daniel Osbourne Isaac Varney, Abner Thompson Timothy Hanson William Hill and Joseph Varney are appointed to advise with and assist our beloved friend Jonathan H. Haagenius in his proposed religious visit and report when the same is made.

Eighth month 1841

Our business being accomplished we conclude prospecting to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th mo next

John Whang clerk for this time

Ninth month 1841

At Dover Quarterly meeting of friends held at ~~Manchester~~ ~~and~~ Sandwich 10th mo 28th 1841

Accounts being received from our several monthly meetings the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover Wm Thompson Thomas Roberts & Timothy Hanson for Benwick Joseph Meader William Hill & Cyrus Buffum for Sandwich Daniel Haag John Nelson & Stephen Beede who are present except one —

The friends have been read in this meeting with the required answers from our several monthly meetings —

This meeting with the concurrence of the women's meeting decides with Dover monthly meeting in the appointment of Lydia Thompson to the station of an Elder and the clerk is directed to give the necessary information —

The clerk is directed to extract the substance of the minutes taken at our last meeting in favor of our friends Samuel Gifford Leno Meloy Phoebe & Haines & Eli Haines and forward the same —

Received 300 copies of the London general Epistle for 1841 they are directed to be distributed to our several monthly meetings —

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude prospecting to meet again at Manchester at the usual time in the 1st mo next —

Esau Meader clerk

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Dover Quarterly meeting of friends held at
Manchester Nov 27th 1842

By accounts received from the several monthly
meetings the representatives to this meeting are
for Dover Stephen Reader William Varney &
Joseph Tuttle for Benning Joseph Bradstreet Asa
Allen & John Drang for Sandwich Joseph Varney
Jedediah Baker & Ezra Reader who are all present
except one

The clerk being absent John Drang is appointed
clerk for this time

Our beloved friend Amos Battey attended this
meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate from
Marbleborough monthly meeting of friends State of
Vermont dated 12th mo 3rd 1841 his company and
religious services have been acceptable

Also our esteemed friend Jarvis Haag companion to
our friend Amos Battey acceptably attended this
meeting with a copy of a minute from Marbleboro
monthly meeting aforesaid dated 12th mo 3rd 1841

Our beloved friend Huldah B Haag a minister in waiting
opened in this meeting a prospect which has for a
length of time rested on her mind of performing
a religious visit to friends & others in some parts
of Philadelphia yearly meeting as expressed in the
within certificate which formed the solid consider-
-ation of this meeting and her prospect was united
with and she left at liberty to pursue it as truth
may open the way. The clerk is directed to endorse
- in the substance of the above minute on the certificate
and sign the same on behalf of this meeting

The clerk was directed to furnish our friends Amos
Battey & Jarvis Haag with extracts from the minutes
taken on their behalf respectively

The names have been read and their required
answers from our several monthly meetings
Having closed the business at this time we conclude
provisionally to meet again at Dover at the usual
time in the 4th mo next - John Drang clerk for
this time

Fourth month 1842 -

At Dover quarterly meeting of friends
held at Dover 4th mo 28th 1842 -

Accounts being received from our several monthly
meetings the representatives appointed are
for Dover Thomas Shaberts Timothy Hanson
& James Austin for Berwick Joseph Meador
Isaac Carney & Joseph Brackett for Sandwich
Rendley McKaag Walter Shaberts & Benjamin
Fry who are all present -

The time being expired for which the Clerks were
appointed the representatives propose Ezra Meador
for Clerk & Wm Thompson for Assistant Clerk
which being voted with they are appointed to that
service the ensuing year

The Records have been read in this meeting
with numerous thanks from our several monthly
meetings from which the following Summary
is prepared for the ensuing Yearly meeting and
the Clerk is directed to forward the same with all
the necessary extracts from this meeting and we
appoint John Bang Joseph Carney Benjamin
Fry & Joseph Thell to attend said meeting as our
representatives -

Ans 1st All our meetings are att^d attended and generally by
the greater part of friends Yet they are much neglected
by some particularly midweek meetings Mostl^y careful
to observe the hour, generally clear of unbecoming
behaviour except some appearances of sleeping & some
have taken in the several deficiencies -

Ans 2 Love & Unity are in a good degree maintained
amongst us - and a care with most friends to guard
against Detraction - Careful as to Differences -

Ans 3 We believe that friends generally are careful in
the several Particulars of this Query. tho not
without some exception in regard to Purse for
which Labor has been bestowed -

Ans 4 Careful in these respects with the exception
of a few instances of using Spirituous Liquors
other than for Medicine and some have taken

Ans 5 Careful in these respects except one instance of
placing a Minor from among friends -

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- Ans 6th Careful as far as appears except one instance
Ans 7th Careful as far as appears except one instance of bearing
Arms and some save that one
Ans 8th There appears a good degree of care on the minds
of most friends in these respects
Ans 9th Generally careful as to recording careful in regard
to certificates except in three instances
Ans 10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders in
good measure as given after - No cause of com-
plaint in regard to bearing judgement

Daniel Osborne is appointed Treasurer to this
meeting the ensuing year

By an extract from the minutes of our last
yearly meeting it appears that this meeting
proportion of Yearly Stock is \$81.25 which is
directed to be apportioned to our several monthly
meetings as usual heretofore

Rendey M Haag has returned to this meeting the
cert. granted him in the 8th mo last
and produced extract from the minutes of the meetings
of friends whom he visited stating his religious labors
had been to their satisfaction he has also given us
at this time a satisfactory account of his visit and
informed us that he had been favored to perform
it much to his own satisfaction & peace -

Also Huldah B Haag has returned to this meeting the
certificate granted her in the 8th mo last and informed
that she had been favored to accomplish the visit therein
directed to her satisfaction -

The committee appointed in the 2^d mo of last year
to visit subordinate meetings families &c. as usual
as may might after for it inform that they
have given some attention to the subject of their
appointment but are not ready to report they
are continued

The committee appointed in the 8th mo of last year
to advise with and assist our friend Rendey M Haag
relative to his proposed religious visit report
that the service is accomplished

Fourth month 1842 -

Our beloved friend John D Lane informed this meeting that he had a prospect of visiting the Indians located west of the Mississippi in order to carry out the concern of New England & New York Yearly meeting and while engaged in it he apprehends that it may be right for him to appoint some religious meetings (if way should open for it) as is expressed in a certificate granted him by Berwick monthly meeting. The subject having claimed the said consideration of this meeting was united with and much sympathy with him in the said and undertaking was feelingly expressed and he is left at liberty to pursue his prospect as truth shall open the way he being a minister in unity with us.

The Clerk is directed to endorse the above on the certificate granted him by Berwick monthly meeting and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly meeting to the Yearly meeting's Treasurer.

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at North Berwick at the usual time in the 8th mo next.

Erna Meader Clerk

Eighth month 1842

A Dover quarterly meeting of friends held at North Berwick 8th mo 25th 1842.

The accounts being received from our several monthly meetings from which it appears that the representatives appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover Tobias Meader Ebenezer Thompson and Joseph Tuttle for Berwick Joseph Meader Elijah Jewell &c. &c. Allen for Sandwich Thomas Ayres Benjamin King & Lindley A. May who are all present.

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Eighth month 1842

Through the medium of the meeting for
Sufferings we have received 75 copies of
the memorials of deceased friends for gra-
tuitous distribution which the the presentatress
are requested to apportion to our several
monthly meetings

Our esteemed Samuel Taylor Jr has attended
this meeting and produced a certificate from
Sydney monthly meeting endorsed by Fairfield
Quarterly meeting expressing of their unity
with him in his present religious engagement
his company and religious services have
been acceptable to us

Our esteemed friend Nathan Douglas
has attended this meeting and produced a
satisfactory minute of concurrence from
Dorham monthly meeting his company
has been acceptable to us

Also our esteemed friend Moses Huntington
~~has attended this~~ has acceptably attended
this meeting and produced a satisfactory
minute of concurrence from Seaboard
monthly meeting —

The business of our meeting being accom-
plished at this time we conclude postponing
to meet again at Sandwich at the usual
time in the 10th mo next Irene Meader Clerk

EXTRACTS
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 12th to the 16th, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1842.

The Annual Report of the Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School under the care of this Meeting, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE Committee appointed to superintend the various concerns of the Boarding School, again report, That they have endeavored during the past year to discharge the important duties confided to them by the Yearly Meeting. The average number of scholars during the year, has been seventy-seven, and during the last term, one hundred. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony has been preserved.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing continue acceptably to occupy the station of Superintendents. Samuel Austin and Joseph W. Aldrich are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Emmeline Aldrich, Elizabeth H. Pope and Elizabeth J. Aldrich in the Girls'. In this arrangement provision is made for Emmeline Aldrich to be absent during most of the present term. George F. Read continues to act as book-keeper and teacher of Languages. Charles F. Coffin, jun. Rebecca Chipman and Annabella King have each been employed one term during the past year.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School has exceeded the expenditures by about 1,600 dollars. Some improvements have been made on the premises and buildings, and others are now in progress, and as much remains to be done which we deem important for the interests of the Institution, we have not thought it best at this time to propose any change in the prices of admission from those of last year, viz: \$30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; \$45 for those who are not members of Society, one or both of whose parents are members, and \$50 for members of other Yearly Meetings.—Books and Stationary to continue to be furnished as at present. We herewith forward a copy of the Superintendent's account for the information of the Yearly Meeting.

The charitable fund will support, for the present year, fourteen scholars, one term each, (there having been received since our last report, a balance of income heretofore due this fund,) and Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their applications for this privilege in season for the meeting of the Sub-Committee at Providence, the 4th of 10th month next.

Our late friend Moses Brown having in his will bequeathed to this Institution 5000 dollars, to be appropriated in whole or in part to the purchase of real estate adjoining the School premises, the Committee have in conformity therewith purchased two tracts of land, of about ten acres each, at a cost of about the sum above named; a part of which has been paid out of the income of the common fund, the special bequest not being available for this purpose, at the present time.

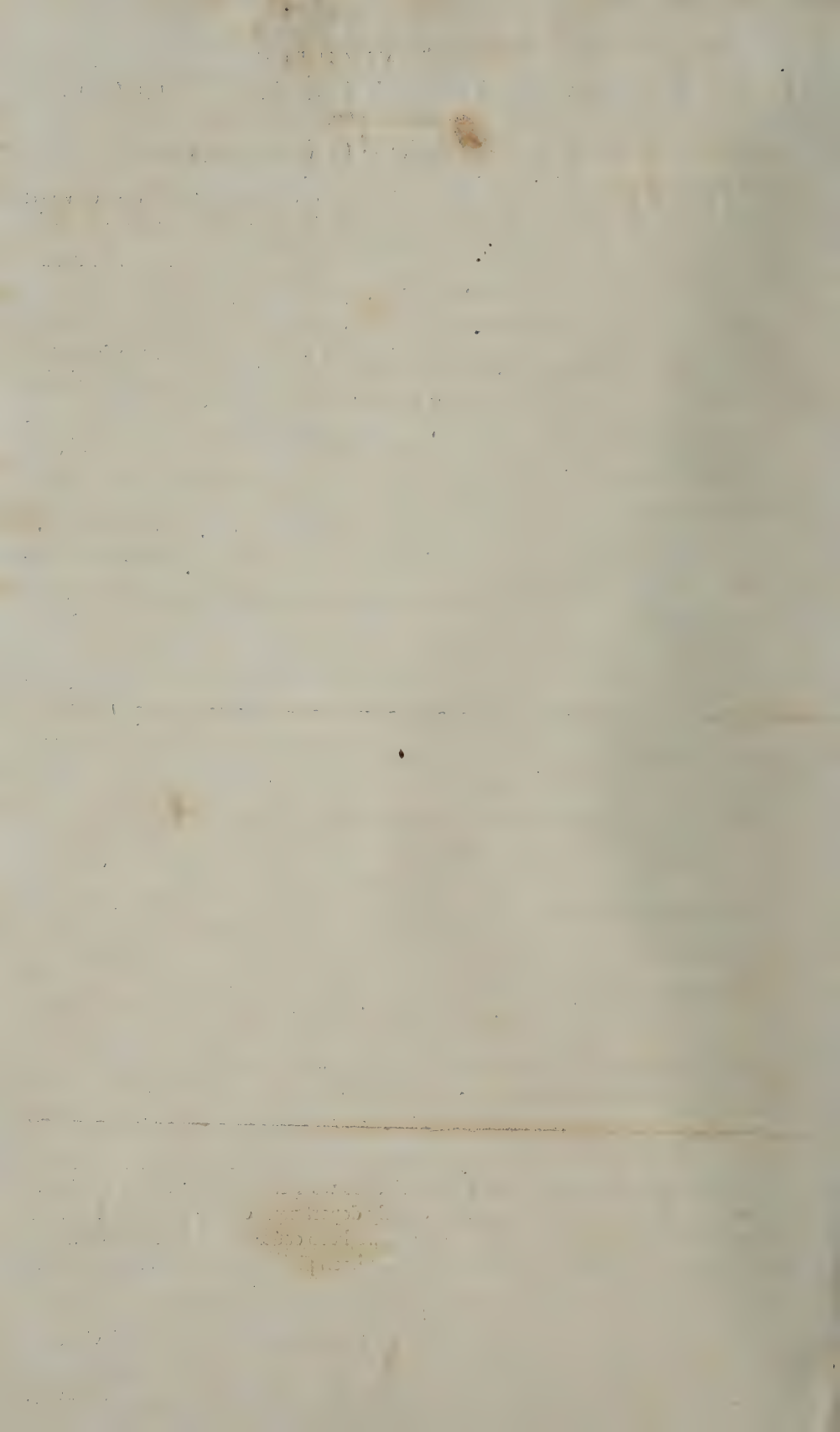
An examination of the scholars in the presence of a Committee of our number has taken place at the close of each term, and the evidence we have received of the fidelity of the Teachers and the general diligence and orderly deportment of the Scholars has been satisfactory and encouraging to us—and we feel that we have cause gratefully to acknowledge that He, from whom proceedeth all our blessings, has been pleased to regard this Institution, and to own the concern of Friends in its establishment and continued progress.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th month 6th, 1842.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 10th mo. 31. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 4th mo. 1st, 1843.]



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A Dover Regularly meeting of friends
held at Sandwich 18th mo 27th 1842

Accounts being received from our several monthly
meetings the presentations therein made are
for Dover James Carney Hanson Meader & Thomas
Mober for Berwick William Hall Joshua Meader
& Aba Allen for Sandwich John Hoag Jonathan
Miller & Daniel B Johnson who are all present.

The queries have been read in this meeting with
the required answers from our several monthly

Our Esteemed friend Anna Gates has attended this
meeting and produced a satisfactory minute of
concurrence from Vassalborough monthly meeting.
Her company and religious services have been
acceptable to us.

Also our Esteemed ^{friend} Edmund Gates as companion
to his wife our aforesaid friend has attended this
meeting with a satisfactory minute of concurrence
from Vassalborough monthly meeting his comp-
any has been acceptable to us.

Likewise our Esteemed ^{friend} Eliza Gardner companion
to our friend Anna Gates has acceptably attended
this meeting with a satisfactory minute of
concurrence from Vassalborough monthly meeting.

The Clerk is directed to furnish our aforesaid
friends with extract from the above minutes
and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

The business of our meeting being accomplished at
this time we conclude proposing to meet again
at Newchester at the usual time in the 4th mo next.

Erna Meader Clerk

First month 1843

At Dover quarterly meeting of friends
held at Rochester June 25th 1843

The accounts being received from our
several monthly meetings the representatives
appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover
Joseph Tuttle Benjamin H. Jones & Jeremiah Roberts
for Bennech Joseph Meader Isaac Carney &
William Hitt for Sandwich Joseph Carney
Daniel Gray & Erna Gault who are all present
The queries have been read in this meeting with
the required answers from our several monthly
meetings

Our friend John Drang has returned
to this meeting the certificate granted him by
Bennech monthly meeting and endorsed by this
in the 4th mo last for the purpose of visiting the
Indians west of the Mississippi and has informed
us that he has been favored to accomplish the
visit to his comfort and satisfaction —

Our beloved friend David Dudley has attended this
meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate of con-
currence from Mt. Albans monthly meeting
his company and religious labors have been satis-
-factory unto us —

Also our esteemed friend David Douglas in company
with our aforesaid friend has acceptably attended
this meeting with a satisfactory minute of concur-
-ence from Mt. Albans monthly meeting —

Our beloved friend Lydia Dean has attended this
meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate of concur-
-ence from Kennisburgh monthly meeting her company
and religious labors ^{have} been satisfactory unto us —

Also our esteemed friend William Dean in company
with his wife our aforesaid friend has acceptably attended
this meeting with a satisfactory minute of concurrence
from Kennisburgh monthly meeting.

We have received 350 copies of the London gene-
-ral Whistle of last year one of which has been
sent to ^{our} satisfaction & encouragement they are directed
to be distributed to the next ^{monthly} meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we
conclude proposing to meet again at Dover at the next
time in the next month

Erna Meader & her

Fourth month 1843

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At Dover Quarterly meeting of friends
held at Dover 1st mo 27th 1843

By accounts received from our monthly meeting
the Representatives therein named were for Dover
Joseph Tuttle Tobias Evans & Jonathan Darnie
for Berwick Joseph Meader Elijah Deal & Joshua
Meader for Sandwich Benjamin T. Pondley
M. Haas & Noah Barney who are all present

The time for which the clerks were appointed
being expired the Representatives propose John D.
Bangs for Clerk & Oliver Thompson assistant for
this time which being approved by this meeting
they are appointed to that service accordingly —

We have read the queries and answers from
our several monthly meetings from which the
following summary is prepared for the ensuing
yearly meeting to be held on Rhode Island and we
appoint Oliver Thompson William Hall Tobias Meader
& John D. Bangs Representatives to the aforesaid meeting

Answer 1st Our meetings are all attended and generally
by the greater part of friends yet they are much neglected
by some particularly on dunes meetings. Mostly careful
to observe the hour. Generally clear of unbecoming
behavior except some appearances of sleeping and
some care taken in the several deficiencies —

Ans 2^o Love & Unity are in a good degree maintained
amongst us. And a care with most friends to guard
against detraction. Careful as to differences —

Ans 3^o ~~Men~~ ^{that} friends generally are careful in the
several particulars of this Query tho notwithstanding
some exception in regard to Watchfulness for which
labor has been bestowed —

Ans 4th Careful in the several particulars of this Query
with the exceptions of a few instances of using Spirituous
liquors other than for Medicine and some care taken —

Ans 5^o Careful in their respects except one instance
of placing a Minor from amongst friends —

Ans 6th Careful as far as appears except one instance

Ans 7th Careful as far as appears except one
instance of leaving arms and care taken —

Fourth month 1843

Ans 8th There appears a good degree of canon the
minds of friends in these respects —

Ans 9th Generally laudible as to recording careful
in regard to certificates except three instances

Ans 10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders
in good measure as given after 30 days of
complaint appears in regard to taking judgment —

Our beloved friend Benjamin Fry a ~~thorough~~
Minister in Unity shared in this meeting a prospect
which had attended his mind for several years
of performing a religious visit to friends and others
within the limits New York & Baltimore yearly
meeting also a few meetings in and near Philadelphia
as expressed in the certificate granted him by
Sandwich Monthly meeting dated 4th mo 20th 1843.

The subject claims the solid consideration of this
meeting and was fully written with & he ^{at the meeting}
expressed his prospect as true the way open the way
in liberating our dear friends we commend him
to the kindness and sympathy of friends with desiring
that he may be favored to put his whole dependence
on him who is the never failing helper & preserver
of all those who put their trust in him —

Joseph Little Joshua Meader William Hall Jonathan
Dane Isaac Canney Amos Hanson John Chang
Halter Sawyer & Lindley M Haaz are appointed to see
that he is provided with suitable company and to
render him such assistance as may appear necessary
and report when the service is performed —

The following testimony respecting our beloved
friend Cyrus Beebe deceased having been approved by
Sandwich monthly meeting and read & approved by
this meeting is directed to be signed by the clerk and
forwarded as usual —

The clerk is directed to furnish extracts of minutes
in favor of our friends who attended our last quarter
meeting that have not already been furnished —

Jonathan Dane is appointed treasurer to this meeting
the ensuing year
Our treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of
yearly meeting stock to the yearly meeting treasurer
The clerk is directed to forward the necessary extracts to
our yearly meeting
Having closed the business at this time we conclude
purposing to meet again at North Weymouth at the usual
time in the 8th mo next
John Chang Clerk for this time.

Eight month 1843

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Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends held
at North Berwick 8th mo. 24th 1843 -

My accounts received from our monthly meeting
the Representatives to this meeting are for Dover
Joshua Reader William Page & Timothy Hanson
for Berwick Joseph Brackett Stephen Jenkins
& Joshua Reader for Sandwich Joshua Haag
Daniel Fry & John Haag who are all present -

The time for which the clerks were appointed
being expired the Representatives having conferred
together propose Ezra Reader for Clerk and Oliver
W. Johnson for assistant they are accordingly
appointed to that service for one year -

The queries have been read in this meeting
with the required answers from our several
monthly meetings -

Those appointed to attend the Yearly meeting
as the representatives inform they all attended

Our beloved friend Dudley M. Haag a
minister in unity with us appeared before this
meeting a concern which rested on his mind to
attend the ensuing yearly meeting at Baltimore
likewise to perform in gospel love a religious visit
to friends & others in some places within its limits
also some places within the limits of New York
and Philadelphia Yearly meeting as expressed in
a certificate granted him by Sandwich monthly
meeting the subject having claimed the said
consideration of this meeting is united with and
much sympathy with him in the prospect was
readily expressed and he is left at liberty to pursue
the same as best wisdom may direct -

and the clerk is directed to endorse the above
minute on the certificate granted him by Sand-
wich monthly meeting and sign the same
on behalf of this meeting -

By an extract from the minutes of our last
Yearly meeting it appears that this meeting
proportion of yearly meeting dues for the coming
year as \$75.00 which is directed be apportioned
to our monthly meetings as usual heretofore -

Given at the
meeting of the 24th
of the 8th month 1843
Dover 24th 8th mo 1843

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Tenth month 1843

Received several copies of the report of the Yearly meeting board & School committee one of which has been read at this time they are directed to be forwarded to our monthly meetings

We have also received from the Yearly meeting 600 copies of a work entitled an Essay on some of the prominent doctrines & testimonies of free which are directed to be appoitioned to our several monthly meetings by the representatives

Our beloved friend Samuel Boyd Tabery has attended this meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate from Providence monthly meeting into 7th mo 26th 1843 His company and religious labors have been acceptable to us

Also our beloved friend Edward Gove has attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from Seabrook monthly meeting into 8th mo 3rd 1843 His company and religious labors have been acceptable to us

Like wise our esteemed friend William B Thompson companion to our friend Edward Gove has acceptably attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Seabrook meeting monthly meeting

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th mo. next

Erna Meader
Clerk

E X T R A C T
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 11th to the 17th, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1843.

THE Annual Report of the Committee of this Meeting having the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, was produced and read; and the Committee were encouraged to persevere in their efforts for the right education of the children and youth of the Society, under a persuasion that a blessing will attend their faithful labours herein; and the Report being satisfactory to Friends, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee Report, That they have endeavoured, during the past year, to discharge the duties confided to them in superintending the various concerns of the institution. The average number of scholars during the year, has been eighty, and during the winter term, one hundred and nine. Meetings for divine worship have been regularly held in the house, except during the time of the vacations, and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing continue to fill acceptably the station of Superintendents. Jonathan L. Slocum and Samuel Austin are employed as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Emmeline Aldrich and Elizabeth J. Aldrich in the Girls'. Charles F. Coffin, is engaged to take charge of the accounts, and to have the care of the Boys out of school hours. George F. Read, Joseph W. Aldrich and Elizabeth H. Pope have severally been employed as Teachers during the past year.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been settled, by which it appears that the receipts of the School during the past year, have been \$11,280 $\frac{42}{100}$; its expenditures \$12,305 $\frac{21}{100}$, a part of which was derived from the funds on hand at the close of the last year. This amount includes the sum of \$3,116 $\frac{27}{100}$, that has been appropriated to repairs and improvements; especially in erecting a building for a wash-house, and in making substantial wall around a part of the Farm. For details we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith presented.

We would propose that the price for board and tuition be continued the same as last year, viz. \$30 per term for members of this Yearly Meeting; \$45, for children who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members of society, and \$50 for those of other Yearly Meetings. Books and Stationary being furnished, as at present. Arrangements are made for giving instruction in the Latin and Greek Languages, to the Boys, and in the French, to the Girls, when their parents desire it, for which we propose, that the additional sum of \$5 per term, should be paid.

The income of the Charitable Fund for the next year, it is estimated, will support twelve scholars, one term each, and Monthly Meetings are particularly desired to forward their applications in season for the meeting of the sub-committee, at the School, 3d of

10th month next. As this is the last meeting of the Committee previous to the commencement of the winter term, it is necessary that applications should be seasonably forwarded in order to avoid disappointment.

The original design of the Yearly Meeting in the establishment of the Boarding School being to provide for the religious, guarded education of the youth of our Society, it has ever been a prominent concern with the Committee to promote this truly desirable end; and they are encouraged and comforted in believing that there are many, in different parts of this Yearly Meeting, who have found in this Institution the means of obtaining a useful education, in a good degree free from the contaminating influences of the world. In order to preserve it a select and safe School for our children, we feel it to be very important that the careful guard which from time to time have been adopted by the Yearly Meeting, in relation to the admission of scholars, should be faithfully maintained; and we think it right at this time to revive some of these regulations, and to solicit Friends strictly to observe them.

First. Every Monthly Meeting is desired to have a Committee specially appointed for the purpose of granting certificates to all children, both male and female, whom they may consider suitable to enter the School; and parents are requested in every case, when proposing to send a child to the school, to make seasonable application to such Committee, in order to obtain their certificate.

Second. No male scholar, over fourteen years of age, can enter the School without previously obtaining permission so to do, from the Sub-Committee, who meet on 3d day before the first 5th day, in every month; and a certificate from the Monthly Meeting's Committee must be produced in these as well as in other cases.

Third. It is particularly requested that Committees in granting certificates, will exercise a care that children should bring no clothing to the School unsuitable to be worn on account of plainness; and that they give evidence of a disposition to conform to the rules of the School, and to demean themselves in an orderly and consistent manner; which should be expressed in the certificate.

Fourth. No scholar can enter the School for a less time than one term, without the consent of the Sub-Committee; and when, under peculiar circumstances, it may be deemed proper to admit a child after the term has commenced, it is desired that he will continue in the School until the ensuing vacation.

The faithful observance in this Institution of our well known and important testimonies as to plainness of speech, behaviour and apparel, continues to claim our unabated attention, and we earnestly desire that the importance thereof may be duly impressed upon the mind of the children, before leaving their homes, and that they may be encouraged in no respect to deviate therefrom, and thus wound themselves, and bring reproach upon our profession. In a Circular first issued in 1835, and revived in 1839, copies of which were transmitted to the different Monthly Meetings, some directions were proposed as to what constituted suitable attire for scholars; to which we desire again to refer Friends who are intending to send their children to the School.

On behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 5th, 1843.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day, 10th month 30th. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 4th month 29th, 1844.]

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Tenth month 1843

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A Dover quarterly meeting of friends held
at Sandwich 10th mo 26th 1843 -

Accounts being received from our several month
ly meetings the representation appointed to attend
this meeting are for Dover Olney Thompson
James Carney & Jesse Roberts for Benwick
John D. Lang James Hussey Jr & Josiah Prescott
for Sandwich Joshua Haug Clara Meader & Thomas
Ayres who are present except one -

The Queries have been read in this meeting
with the required answers from our several
monthly meetings

The Church is directed to furnish our friends
Samuel Boyd Tobey Edward Gove & William
B. Thompson with extracts from the minutes
taken on their behalf at our last meeting and
sign the same on behalf of this meeting -

The business of our meeting being closed
at this time we conclude supposing to meet
again at Rochester at the usual time in the
1st mo next -

Leona Meader Clerk

First month 1844

At Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends
held at Rochester 1st mo 25th 1844

The accounts being received from our
several monthly meeting the representatives
therein named are for Dover Obrey Thompson
Daniel Meader & Jacob M. Purinton for
Berwick Joseph Meader Joseph Bonachetti
& Benjamin Buffum for Sandwich Joseph
Varney Daniel Fry & Alvin Hoag -
who are all present

The queries have been read in this meeting
with the required answers from our several
monthly meeting

Our beloved friend David E. Knapp has
attended this meeting with a certificate of
concurrence from Farnham monthly meeting
(Quebec Canada) dated 7th mo 24th 1843 endorsed
by Farnham Quarterly meeting held 8th
mo 9th 1843 his company & religious labors
have been acceptable to us

Also our beloved friend John Meader has
attended this meeting with a Minute of
concurrence from Providence monthly
meeting held 12th mo 27th 1843 his company
and gospel labors have been acceptable to
us (a copy of the above furnished him at this time)

The committee appointed in the 8th mo 1842
to visit subordinate meetings & churches & endeavor
-als as might open for made the following report
viz The committee appointed to visit subordinate
meetings & individuals as may be open for

Report that they have given some attention
to their appointment & rendered such advice
and assistance as circumstances appeared to
require and may open for
on behalf of the committee Benjamin Fry
Sarah P. Thistle
which is perused and the committee released
from further service

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Our beloved friend Lindsey M. Haag, in an impressive manner spread before this meeting a prospect which has for several years rested on his mind to perform a religious visit ^{in gospel way} to friends and others in Great Britain & Ireland and also some places on the Continent of Europe the subject having become the weighty & deliberate consideration of this meeting is feelingly & fully united with and Benjamin Fry John & Mary Joseph Little Olney Thompson & Ezra Meader are appointed to prepare a suitable endorsement to be inserted in the certificate granted him by Sandwich monthly meeting, and introduce it to next meeting —

Our friend Benjamin Fry has returned to this meeting the certificate granted him in the 4th mo last accompanied by minutes of return from friends among whom he has travelled expressive of his company and religious labours having been acceptable and satisfactory to them he has likewise informed that he has been favoured to accomplish the visit much to his own comfort and peace.

Joseph Barney Joseph Tuttle Daniel Fry Timothy Hanson William Hill Benjamin Buffum John Bean & Jesse Moberg are appointed to visit those of our members who may be supposed to be going backward in their worldly estate and render them such counsel and advice as circumstances may require agreeable to our Discipline. We have received ^{from the meeting for Suffern} 3 copies of the London general Epistle for 1843 which are directed to be divided to the monthly meetings by their Representatives. The business of meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th mo next. Ezra Meader Secretary.

Fourth month 1844

A Dover Quarterly meeting of friends
held at Dover 4th mo 25th 1844 —

The accounts being received from our several
monthly meetings the representatives therein
named are for Dover Samuel Dennis Walker,
Samuel & Benjamin H. Jones for Berwick Joseph
Mader Benjamin Whistum & Eleahs Hussey for
Sandwich Ezra Grant Stephen Beede and
Benjamin Key who are all present —

The Records have been read in this meeting
with answers thereto from our several monthly
meetings from which the following summary
is prepared for the ensuing Yearly meeting

Ans 1st Most friends are in a good degree careful
to attend all our meetings yet they are much neglected
by some of our members particularly those on
the middle of the week. The hour generally obser-
ved though not without some exceptions —

Mostly clear of unbecoming behavior except some
instances of sleeping and some care taken in the
several deficiencies —

Ans 2nd Love & unity we trust are in a good degree
maintained by most friends yet they are much
wanting with some and some taken. Most friends
are in good measure careful to guard against
Dissension, careful in regard to Diffidence —

Ans 3rd We think friends generally are careful
to bring them under their direction in plainness
but we fear there are some instances when they
are too much indulged. We think most friends
are careful in regard to pernicious books but
not without some exceptions. Friends are
generally exemplary herein themselves and
we think the holy Scriptures are frequently
read in our families —

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Ans 4th Friends are careful in the several particulars of this query except one instance of frequenting places of public resort and a few instances of using spirituous liquors other than for medicine and some care taken —

Ans 5th Careful as far as appears —

Ans 6th The Friends are generally careful except two instances of marrying a fit —

Ans 7th Careful as far as appears except one instance —

Ans 8th Careful in the several particulars of this query except a few instances of neglect in settling accounts and some care taken —

Ans 9th Mostly careful in this respect except one instance —

Ans 10th Care is taken to deal with offenders with trust in measures agreeable to this query —

Yet we are sensible that more timely labors would have been better in some instances —

A cause of complaint appears in regard to placing judgment —

Joseph Little Joseph Darnley Timothy Hanson & Lindley Whaag are appointed to attend the ensuing yearly meeting as representatives —

The committee appointed to prepare a certificate for our friend Lindley Whaag presented the following, which is approved & directed to be signed by the clerk on behalf of this meeting and is enclosed in the certificate granted him by Sandwich monthly meeting —

Our beloved friend Lindley Murrey Whaag in a feeling manner spread before this meeting a prospect which had for several years ^{inspired} ~~been~~ on his mind as expressed in ^{the} ~~his~~ letter —

He said that it would be right for him to pay a visit in gospel love to friends and others in Great Britain and Ireland and in some places on the continent of Europe and to appoint

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meeting during this his religious engagement
 as truth may open the way. Our minds
 were introduced into tender sympathy with
 our dear friend in the weighty & important
 Service before him and after deliberate and
 due consideration thereon his concern was
 feelingly and fully united with and he liberated
 to pursue his prospect as best Wisdom may
 direct - We recommend him as a Minister in
 Unity and good esteem with us Sound in doc-
 trine and consistent in life & conversation -
 We commend him to the Lord for wisdom and
 strength and earnestly leave his preservation
 to the great Head of the Church with desires
 that he may receive the kind sympathy & love
 of Friends to whom his lot may be cast and when
 the Service allotted him may have been accom-
 plished he may return to his family & friends
 with the renewal of peace - - -

Given by direction and on behalf of Dover
 Quarterly meeting of Friends held at Dover
 in the State of New Hampshire 4th mo 25th 1844

John Meader }
 Abigail M Jones }

Our friend Lindsey H. Hoag has returned to this
 meeting the certificate granted him in the 8th mo
 last and produced returning narratives from friends
 amongst whom he travelled expressing that his
 company had been acceptable and his religious
 labors satisfactory to them. He has also informed
 us that he had been favored to perform the
 visit much to his own peace and satisfaction

This meeting meets with Sandwich monthly
 meeting in the appointment of Susannah
 Bassett to the Station of an Elder and the Clerk
 is directed to give the necessary information -

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Our beloved friend Jared Patterson has attended this meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from Walnut Ridge monthly meeting State of Indiana Feb 17th & 2nd mo 1844 endorsed by Shickland quarterly meeting Dec 9th of 3rd mo 1844. His company and religious labors have been acceptable to us.

We have also at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friend Josiah Morris companion to our aforesaid friend at the annual meeting of concurrence from Milford monthly meeting Wayne county La.

Our beloved friends Edward & Eliza have attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from Peabrock monthly meeting Feb at Ansbury 3rd mo 1844. Their company and religious labors have been acceptable to us and the clerk is directed to furnish our aforesaid friends respectively with copies of the above minutes taken on their behalf and sign the same on behalf of this.

The clerk is also directed to furnish our friend David L. Knapp with a copy of the minutes taken on his behalf at our last meeting and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Daniel Osborne is appointed treasurer to this meeting the ensuing year.

Our treasurer is directed to pay ^{ward} \$75-00 our proportion of Yearly meeting stock to the Yearly meeting treasurer.

The clerk is directed to forward the answers to the queries with all the necessary ^{extracts} from the minutes of this meeting to the ensuing Yearly meeting.

A testimony concerning our friend Ralduah W. Hoaglate wife of Ralduah W. Hoag of Wolfpenauy has been presented to this meeting by Sandwich monthly meeting which having been read and approved is directed to be forwarded to the meeting for sufferings.

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Agreeable to a proposal which was introduced in our last meeting and received and united with in this we appoint Joseph Tuttle Benjamin Gray John Shang Olney Thompson Benjamin H Jones Ezra Meader Edward Lock Stephen Meader Jacob H Munton James Jones William Page & Timothy Hanson to unite with a committee of women ~~to~~ to ~~visit~~ visit subordinate meetings, families & individuals as may may ^{it} when for, and give such advice and assistance as circumstances may require and best wisdom direct

The business of our meeting being accomplished we conclude proposing to meet again at North Benwick at the usual time in the 8th mo next

Ezra Meader Clerk

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At a regular meeting of Friends held at North Benwick 8th mo 22 1844
The accounts being received from our several monthly meetings the representations therein granted are for Dover Timothy Hanson Jonathan Saml & James Austin for Benwick Joshua Meader Joseph Knatchett & Amasa Carney for Sandwich, Jonathan Miller Benjamin Gray & Joseph Carney who are all present

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed the representatives send pose Ezra Meader for Clerk and Olney Thompson for assistant Clerk which being united with they are appointed for that service the ensuing year

The names have been read in this meeting with the required answers from our several monthly meetings. Then appointed to attend our last Yearly meeting as representatives report they all attended

E X T R A C T
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,

From the 16th to the 21st, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1844.

THE Annual Report of the Committee of this Meeting having the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to us, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Boarding School Committee Report, That they have endeavoured during the past year to discharge the services entrusted to them by the Yearly Meeting, in superintending the various concerns of the Boarding School. The average number of scholars has been 55. Meetings have been regularly held in the house, and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing are engaged for the present year as Superintendents; and Charles Atherton and William Nicholson as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Mary Atherton and Elizabeth J. Aldrich in the Girls'.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School from all sources has been \$9,356²¹/₁₀₀, its expenditures \$9,202⁸²/₁₀₀, and that there is a balance in the Treasury of \$5,220⁶²/₁₀₀, the devise of our late friend Moses Brown of \$5,000, for the purchase of real estate, having been received during the past year; a part of which is due for the purchase effected agreeably to the will of the donor. For details of the receipts and expenses of the School, we refer to a copy of the Superintendent's account, herewith forwarded.

We would propose that the price for board and tuition be continued the same as last year: viz. \$30 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, \$15 for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and \$50 for those of other Yearly Meetings. Books and stationery being furnished as at present. We also think it safe to propose that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar for the next winter term, free of expense, and Monthly Meetings are requested to exercise care in the selection of the scholars, to conform to the conditions of the will of the principal donor to the charitable fund, viz. that it be applied "for the schooling of such members of the Society as are actually poor, supported or not as such by the respective Monthly Meetings."

The Schools have been examined at the close of each term by a Committee appointed for that purpose ; and from the last report of the visiting Committee we make the following extract : viz. " In the examination of the scholars, satisfactory evidence was given of their having made good proficiency in the studies in which they had been engaged. The knowledge and acquaintance manifested in some of the most important branches of education were such as to warrant the conclusion that there had been a very commendable degree of application on the part of the scholars, and faithfulness and assiduity on that of the teachers. The general appearance of the school was satisfactory, and the deportment of the scholars orderly, inducing a belief that usefulness continues to result from the Institution."

In review of the past year the Committee are brought to feel regret that the number of scholars has been less than in many former years. The object of the Yearly Meeting in establishing the School, that the children of Friends might receive a religious, guarded education free from the contaminating influences of the world, may we believe be in a good degree attained by placing our children in this Institution. We therefore desire affectionately to encourage our fellow-members to avail themselves of the advantages to be derived from this School, that thus the concern and liberality of our departed Friends, who were instrumental in establishing and endowing it, and who are now gathered from works to rewards, may be to the benefit of the children of the present and succeeding day.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee,

THOS. HOWLAND, Clerk at this time.

Boarding School, 5th mo. 3d, 1844.

[The next Winter term will commence on Second-day 10th month 28th. The next Summer term, on Second-day, 4th month 28th, 1845.

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The clerk is directed to append to the Testimony concerning our friend Huldah B. Haag the minutes taken at our last ^{meeting} respecting of it and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Our monthly proposition approving the public appearance of Benjamin H. Jones in the ministry after a time of consideration thereon the subject is deferred until next meeting.

By an extract from the minutes of our last yearly meeting it appears that this meeting's proposition of Yearly meeting, March is Eighty Seven dollars & fifty cents which is directed to be apportioned to our several monthly meetings as has been usual heretofore.

We have also received several copies of the extract from the minutes of our last yearly meeting with the report of the Boarding School Committee which are directed to be forwarded to our several monthly meetings.

Our beloved friend Charles Taber has attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from Barnham monthly meeting Lower Canada held 24th 1843 - Endorsed by Berniceburg Quarterly meeting held a Jubilee 8th mo 9th 1844. His company and religious labors have been acceptable to us.

We have also the acceptable company of our beloved friend Paul Southwick ^{conspicuous} with a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from Peru monthly held 12th mo 28th 1843.

Our beloved friend Phoebe Bishop has attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from Granville monthly meeting held 9th of 5th mo 1844 Endorsed by Saratoga Quarterly meeting held at Queensburg 15th of 5th mo 1844. Her company and religious labors have been acceptable to us.

We have also the acceptable company of our beloved friend Hannah Patter in company with a sister of concurrence from Granville monthly meeting held 10th of 5th mo 1844. We have also the acceptable company of our friend Hester De Cal in company with our friend Phoebe Bishop with a certificate of concurrence from Saratoga monthly meeting held at Half Moon 18th of 5th 1844. The clerk is directed to furnish our friends Phoebe Bishop Hannah Patter & Hester De Cal with the extract from the minutes taken at their behalf and sign the same on behalf of this meeting. The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th month next. Isaac Mader Clerk

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A Baver Quarterly meeting of Friends
held at the Brunswick School room 18th

The accounts being received from our several
monthly meetings the representatives there
named are for Baver James, brother the Rev
Squire & Timothy Larson or Bernard John
Shing, Joseph Meder, William Clark for
Brunswick John Hall, and the Rev. Hester &
Nathaniel Johnson present except one

The assistant clerk of this meeting having been
sent out of its limits the representatives
purchase Stephen Brown to supply his place
the remaining part of the time for which
he was appointed whilst being united with the
secondly appointed to that service.

The Queries have been read in this meeting
with the responses received from our several
monthly meetings.

This meeting with the concurrence of the members
meeting holds with Baver monthly meeting in
approving the further appearance of Benjamin
W. Jones in the Ministry and the clerk is directed
to give the necessary information.

We have received from the meeting for suffering
Geologists of this Society who he is to be
expected to be in attendance to the monthly meeting
by their representatives.

The clerk is directed to forward our friends
Charles Taber & Paul Southwick with extracts
from the records taken on their behalf at
our last meeting and sign the same on the
behalf of this meeting.

The business of our meeting being accomplished
we concluded postponing to meet again a fortnight
at the usual time in the future.

Levan Hester Clerk

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At Dover Quarterly meeting of friends held
at Manchester 1st mo 23rd 1845 —

The accounts being received from our several monthly
meetings, the representatives therein named are
for Dover Timothy Hanson Samuel Dennis & Jacob
H Purinton for Merwick William Hill John Strong
& Isaac Varney for Sandwich Erna Meader Erna
Lyons & Stephen Haberts who are present except one

The dues have been read in this meeting with
the requisite answers from our several monthly meetings

Our beloved friend Martha Hedges has
attended this meeting and produced a satisfactory
minute of concurrence from China monthly
meeting dated 12th mo 17th 1844 Her company
and religious labors have been acceptable to us

We have received ^{and} at this time a circular
from the meeting for Suffring, giving an
account of a division in our religious society
in Madagascare Quarterly meeting —

The business of our meeting being accomplished
we conclude promising to meet again at Dover
at the usual time in the 4th mo next

Erna Meader clerk

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At Dover Quarterly meeting of friends
held at Dover 4th mo 24th 1845 —

The accounts being received from our
several monthly meetings, the representatives
appointed to attend this meeting are for Dover
Jonathan Dams Jacob H Purinton & Jesse
Haberts for Merwick Benajah Buffum Joseph
Meader & Isaac Varney for Sandwich Alvin
Hoad Erna Meader & Thomas Agnes who are
all present —

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The Minutes have been read in this meeting with corresponding answers from our several monthly meetings from which the following summary is prepared for the ensuing Yearly meeting. Viz —

Ans¹ All our meetings have been attended except two — for which neglect satisfactory reasons were given and those on first days by the greater part of friends while those on week days are much ^{neglected} by some of our members. We have generally observed by most friends. Generally free of unbecoming behavior except a few instances of sleeping. Some care has been taken —

Ans² We believe there is a good degree of love & unity maintained among us yet they are much troubled with some and some care taken. Disunion mostly guarded against —

Ans³ We think most friends are careful in regard to plainness yet ^{not} without exceptions as it regards dress and apparel. We ^{for} friends are not all so careful in regard to pernicious reading as would be best. We believe the holy scriptures are frequently read in most friends families —

Ans⁴ We believe that friends are careful in regard to the use of spirituous liquors, except in a few instances and some care taken we know of no cause of complaint in the other part of this query —

Ans⁵ No cause of complaint in these respects except one instance of placing a Minor from amongst friends —

Ans⁶ We know of no cause of complaint except three instances of marrying out and two of keeping company out of Society care has been taken —

Ans⁷ Careful as far as appears —

Ans⁸ Careful in the several particulars of this query except a few instances of neglect in settling accounts and some care taken —

Ans⁹ Mostly careful in these respects yet there are a few instances of removal without certification —

Ans¹⁰ Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in measure as required after yet we are sensible that more timely care has been sometimes useful. No cause of complaint appears in regard to placing judgment —

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We appoint Joseph Tuttle Timothy Hanson Benjamin
Fry Jacob M. Parvinton & Walter Sawyer to attend
the ensuing Yearly meeting as Representatives.

Jonathan Lane is appointed Treasurer to the
meeting the ensuing year —

Our treasurer is directed to ^{forward} our proportion
of Yearly meeting stock to the Yearly meeting Treasurer

The Clerk is directed to forward the account
from this to the Yearly meeting with the necessary
extracts from our minutes the past year —

The Clerk is directed furnish our friend Martha
J. Hedges with a copy of the minute taken on
her account at our last meeting, with the addi-
tion that she has since attended most of the
meetings in true & our monthly meetings to the
satisfaction of friends —

This meeting with the concurrence of the
women's unite with Dover monthly meeting
in the appointment of Timothy Hanson to the
Station of an Elder — and the Clerk is directed
to give the necessary information —

The Committee appointed in the 4th mo of last year
to visit subordinate meetings families & individuals
as may might open for made the following report

To the quarterly meeting of Men & women friends
to be held the 24th instant

The joint Committee of Men & women friends appointed
in the 4th mo last to visit subordinate meetings
families & individuals as may might open for it
& give such advice & assistance as circumstances
might require and best wisdom direct. report that
they have given some attention to their appointment
and endeavored in the ability afforded to render such
advice and assistance from time to time as circum-
stances seemed to require and may open for & we
believe it right in the faithful discharge of our
duty to inform the quarterly meeting that there
appears in Benwick monthly meeting a want
of due regard to the doing of our Superior meeting.
and among other things we are pained to find

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that in their next meeting they have refused
to notice on their minutes a document from our
meeting for suffering addressed to our preparative
monthly & quarterly meetings a course we believe
opposite to that pursued by all other monthly
& quarterly meetings belonging to New England
Yearly meetings & we are united in judgment that
the welfare and best interests of society require the
further attention & care of the quarterly meetings

Signed by direction & on behalf of the committee
Dorset 4th mo 24/2 1845

Joseph Gittle
Timothy Hanson
Abigail M. Hanson
Sarah B. Roberts

Which report is accepted and the subject claim-
ing the solid consideration of this meeting
Joseph Gittle Benjamin Gray Walter Sawyer
Benjamin M. Jones Jesse Roberts Timothy Hanson
Jonathan Dams Samuel Dennis Jacob H. Sumner
Stephen Beebe Alfred D. Shelley Stephen Roberts
Thomas Roberts & James Canney are appointed to
visit with a committee of women friends to
visit subordinate meetings families & individuals
as may open for it and render ^{such} advice and
assistance as circumstances may require and
best wisdom direct.

The business of meeting being accomplished we
conclude proposing to meet again at North
Beverly at the usual time in the 3rd mo next

Lessa Mader Clerk

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At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at North Berwick 8th mo. 28th 1845

The accounts being received from Dorn and
Sandwich monthly meetings the Representatives
to this meeting are for Dorn Joseph Little
Timothy Hanson Jonathan Dorne and
Walter Sawyer for Sandwich John
Moag Stephen Beede and Benjamin
Gray who are present. Two papers being
laid upon the table purporting to be accounts
from Berwick monthly meetings the Represen-
tatives in the one signed by Albert C. Buffum
as Clerk are: John C. Lang Benjamin Buffum
Nicholas Ester and Stephen Jenkins. In
one signed by Pelatiah Hovey as Clerk
the Representatives are: Isaac Varney
William Hill and Joseph Meader
who are all present. As it appears that
several persons are present who are not
members of our Society and refusing to
leave the room select for the transaction
of the affairs of the Church we are
united in adjourning accordingly
adjourned to this place tomorrow at two
O'clock A.M.

Sixth day, morning the
twenty ninth instant met again to adj-
ournment. The Clerk being absent the
Assistant Clerk is requested to continue at
the table and act as Clerk until a Clerk
shall be appointed. The Representatives are

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Down and Landwick Monthly Meetings being called were present and answered to their names. The names of the persons claiming to be Representatives from Dorwick Monthly Meeting were also called, when it appeared that John D. Lane, Benajah Buffum, Nicholas Ester and Stephen Perkins who are named as Representatives in the account purporting to come from Dorwick Monthly Meeting, signed by Albert C. Buffum as Clerk, were also present. And Isaac Varnay, William Will and Joseph Meader, the persons named as representatives in the account purporting to come from Dorwick Monthly Meeting signed by Pelatiah Varnay as clerk, were also called and were not present. Whereupon the subject of the two accounts so purporting to come from Dorwick Monthly Meeting coming before this Meeting as the first business to be acted on, in order for the de-organ-ization of the meeting; Isaac C. Smith, Joseph Meader, Walter Emerson and Samuel Dennis are requested to notify said Isaac Varnay, William Will and Joseph Meader that the meeting are about to consider their ^{as} Representatives from Dorwick Monthly Meeting to this Meeting, and that ^{they} can now be heard thereon if they see fit, who subsequently made report as follows

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We your committee appointed to notify Isaac Wadsworth
William Hill and Joseph Meader the
persons named as Representatives in the account
purporting to come from Norwich Monthly
meeting to this meeting signed by Daniel
Hussey, as Clerk that this meeting were
about to consider their claims as such Rep-
resentatives and that they might be heard
thereon if they saw fit. Have attended
to our appointment and received for answer
that they do not acknowledge this meeting
as the true Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends.
they denied its authority as such, decline
presenting their case before it. They further
intimated that they did not acknowledge the
Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England
of which Abraham Shearman, Jr is Clerk
to be the true Yearly Meeting of Friends
for New-England, or recognize the Quarterly
Meeting in unity therewith to be the true
Quarterly Meeting of Dover

Asa C. Tuttle

Nobias Meader

Walter Sawyer

Samuel Dennis

Whereupon the Representatives from
Dover and Sandwich Monthly Meetings
are desired to take the accounts purporting
to come from Norwich Monthly Meeting
into consideration, hear all parties who
may wish to be heard thereon and report
to

to this meeting their sense and judgement which of said accounts ought to be received as the true account from Berwick Monthly Meeting and who are the Representatives from said Berwick monthly meeting to this Quarterly Meeting, at this time.

The Committee of the Representatives above mentioned afterwards reported to this meeting as follows:

We the Representatives from Dover and Sandwich monthly meetings, who were desired to take into consideration, the two accounts received at this time purporting, to come from Berwick Mo. Meeting, to this meeting, and to report thereon, and also who are the Representatives from said monthly meeting to this meeting And Notice having been given of the time and place of our meeting, to consider said subjects: John R. Long, Benjamin Buffum, Nicholas Estes, and Stephen Jenkins appeared before us and represented that they were appointed by Berwick monthly meeting, held at the appointed time and place of their regular meeting, preceeding this Quarterly Meeting and by adjournment therefrom which meeting, was held according to the Discipline of our religious Society, in due subordination to this Quarterly

Meeting and the Yearly Meeting of Friends
for New-England, of which Abraham Unwin
Senior and Hannah Goodson are Clerks.
And that Albert C. Buffum and Anne C.
Lang are the regularly constituted Clerks
of said monthly meeting. No other persons
appeared before us. And having considered
the subject it is our sense and judgment
that the account from Berwick, monthly
meeting, signed by Albert C. Buffum
as Clerk, is the true account from said
Berwick, monthly meeting, and ought
to be received as such, and that Josiah
D. Lang, Benjamin Buffum, Nicholas Estes
and Stephen Jenkins are the true Rep-
resentatives from said monthly meeting
to this meeting, at this time.

Benjamin Thayer
in behalf of the Representatives

Which report was taken into consideration
by the meeting. Friends of Berwick,
monthly meeting, under the circumstances
-es taking no part therein. And after a time
of deliberation said report was accepted and
its conclusions fully confirmed and adopt-
ed by this meeting, and Josiah D. Lang,
Benjamin Buffum, Nicholas Estes and Stephen
Jenkins as Representatives from Berwick
monthly meeting, being called were all
present. The time for which the Clerks
were appointed having expired the Represen-
tatives propose Stephen Bude for Clerk, and
Jonathan Dume for Assistant Clerk, which is

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united with and thus, accordingly, appointed
to that service the ensuing year -
Receive the following Minute from
our Last Yearly Meeting.

At our Yearly Meeting, which for New England held of Rhode Island from
the 15th to the 23^d inclusive of the 6th mo. 1845. Believing that in regard to
the discussion that has now taken place, the appointment of a committee is called for
to visit such subordinate meetings as may appear to them to stand in need of
assistance, and to afford such counsel & advice as in the meekness & wisdom
of the Spirit they may be enabled to afford; & that they should extend a
special care in the assisting of Friends in sustaining our meetings in the
different parts of the Yearly Meeting, according to our present organization -
We appoint as a Committee, to these purposes our Friends, Peter Peck, Ester Newhall,
John Lawrence, Thomas Jones, John Barnum, John Harman, John D. Long,
David Douglas, Thomas Anthony, Ross and Green, George Woodland, Samuel
Baker, Daniel Clapp, and others. Also, Miss Wins, Christian Pope, Nathan Knice,
Lynd, William (James) Simons, Hanson, Benjamin Briggs, Samuel Jones, Joseph
Cotton, M. Pether, James L. Davis, Buffum, Samuel Taylor, William Rised,
John's age, & William Johnson, to act herein on our behalf & make report to this
Meeting next year. The times & places of holding our several Quarterly Meetings being
specified in the book of discipline, & the circumstances existing in one or more of the
Quarters rendering it probable that a greater degree of discretion be shown such
quarterly meetings than is provided in the discipline, will promote the more
satisfactory accomplishment of the business thereof, it is our conclusion & advice
that for the year ensuing such Quarterly Meetings may be at liberty to adjourn
said meetings, held at the specified times from the place now provided to any
other place within the limits of such Quarterly Meeting said Quarters
Meeting acting therein, in accordance with the advice of the committee
appointed at this time by the Yearly Meeting, to visit & advise & assist
such of our subordinate meetings as circumstances may render necessary, &
the same liberty is granted to such preparative & monthly meetings as
may be similarly situated. From the minutes of the Yearly Meeting
Abraham Peckman Secy - Clerk

Women committed for similar purposes - Elizabeth King,
Susan Woodland, Elizabeth Meador, Miriam Newhall,
Tut Davis, Alice Rathbun, Anna Macomber, Hannah
Dennis, Phila. B. Gifford, Lydia Allen, Deborah B. Warren,
Ann & Long, Ruth Fry, Lydia Thompson, Huldah Gifford,
Anna Gato, Olive Wing, Alice Paige, Ruth Sawyer,
Hannah Sawyer, Mary Thove, Chloe Douglas, Sophronia
Paige, Abigail M. Hanson, Sarah Bernard, Eunice J.
Rich, Lydia House & Hannah Collins. Appointed 6th mo 1845.
Woman's Clerk is Hannah Gaudin, A. Copy
And several of the committee therein named have satisfactorily been written at this time

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The Quirin have been read in this meeting with
the requisite answers from Dover and Sandwich
monthly meetings and a satisfactory reason
assigned for the omission from Berwick
monthly meeting. Our Dear Friend John
Warren attended this meeting with a Certificate
of Concurrence from Unity Monthly Meeting
dated 8th mo 21st 1845. Whose Company and
Religious Services have been satisfactory to
us. Our dear friend Elizabeth Wing
attended this meeting with a Certificate of
Concurrence from Rhode Island Monthly
Meeting dated 7th mo 31st 1845. Whose
Company and Religious Services have been
satisfactory to us. Our Dear Friend Edward
Wing attended this meeting as Companion of
his wife Elizabeth Wing with a copy of a
minute from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting
of 7th mo 31st 1845. Whose company has
been acceptable to us. Our Dear Friend
Alice Rathbun attended this meeting with
a Certificate of Concurrence from Smithfield
Monthly Meeting dated 7th mo 30th 1845.
Whose Company and Religious Services have
been satisfactory to us. Our Dear Friend
Rowland Rathbun attended this meeting as Com-
panion of his wife Alice Rathbun with
a copy of minute from Smithfield Monthly
Meeting of 7th mo 30th 1845. Whose Company
has been acceptable to us. Our Beloved
Friends Clement Ratcliff and wife attended
this meeting as companions of John Warren &

John Warren
Present

Elizabeth Wing
Present

Edward Wing
Present

Alice Rathbun
Present

Rowland Rathbun
Present

Clement Ratcliff
& wife
Present

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with a copy of a minute from Unity monthly Meeting of 8th mo. 21st 1845, whose contents has been acceptable to us. The Representatives to the Yearly Meeting Report they attended except Joseph Fittle who has given a satisfactory reason for his nonattendance.

The Committee appointed at our last Quarterly Meeting, to visit subordinate meetings and individuals as way might open for made the following Report.

To Doer Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be held at North Berwick the 28th of the 8th Mo. 1845. The joint Committee of men and Women Friends appointed by the Quarterly Meeting in the 4th mo. last to visit subordinate meetings, families and individuals as way might open for, and under such advice and assistance as circumstances might require and best wisdom direct. Report that in consequence of a spirit of insubordination, and disaffection toward our Yearly Meeting that has for some time past been manifested by a portion of the members of Berwick monthly Meeting that Meeting has claimed our particular attention. A part of the Committee have several times attended that monthly meeting, and several of our number have visited some individuals and families belonging to that meeting who appeared to be disaffected toward

our Yearly Meetings, and rendered advice according to ability received. A considerable portion of the Committee attended their Monthly Meeting held the 21st instant. At this meeting the individual who had for some years past acted as clerk, after having read the opening minute informed the meeting that the time had expired for which the clerk was appointed. A number of the disaffected members forthwith urged the re-appointment of that individual as clerk, who it was believed had disqualified himself from acting as such, having identified himself with the disaffected portion of Society; and a decided objection was made to his appointment and another friend Albert C. Buffum was proposed by the meeting, and he was desired to sit at the table and act accordingly; but the individual at the table refused to leave it or to give up the books and papers of the meeting; and proceeded to read a minute of his own appointment as clerk of the meeting, to the interruption of the orderly proceeding of the meeting. In this state of things the clerk appointed by Friends made and read an opening minute, and also a minute of his own appointment as clerk. The minutes of the appointment of the Quarterly meetings and Yearly Meetings Committees were also read, and the Quarterly Meeting's Committee

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their present offered such advice and assistance as they were able to render and such as the occasion seemed to them to call for.

In order to preserve to Berwick Monthly Meeting its due organization as a branch of Down Quarterly ^{Meeting} and in order that the Discipline and good Order of our religious Society might be supported, it appeared to us that friends of Berwick Monthly Meeting in unity with our Yearly Meeting were to be encouraged and sustained in the course they adopted.

After proceeding as above stated and after a time of solid consideration Friends adjourned their Monthly Meeting to meet at the same place at the eleventh hour on 4th day the 27th instant. The adjourned Meeting was held at the time and place specified which was conducted according to the order of the Society.

North Berwick 8th mo 28th 1845

Joseph Tuttle	} On behalf of the Quarterly Meeting Committee
Timothy Hanson	
Sarah P. Tuttle	
Hannah G. Sawyer	

Which being read is satisfactory to this Meeting and the Committee is requested and encouraged to give such further attention to their appointment as they may deem proper during the remainder of the year. This Meeting with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting unites with Down Monthly Meeting in the

appointment of Ruth Sawyer to the station of an Elder and the clerk is directed to give the necessary information. John Haag and Benjamin Gray are appointed to receive of the former clerk at this meeting the records and papers belonging to said meeting and transfer them to its present clerk. (This meeting with the concurrence of the Womans Meeting is united in changing the time of holding, Sandwich Monthly Meeting from ⁷fifth to eighth day of the week.

Received the following Epistle from our last Yearly Meeting to its Subordinate meetings. Also Rec^d the following Communication from said meeting containing a list of Correspondents both of which have been read at this time and are acceptable to us. Rec^d the following extracts from our last Yearly Meeting together with the report of the Boarding School Committee the reading of which is deferred till next meeting. Copies of which are directed to be forwarded to our several monthly meetings.

The business of our Meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in tenth month.

Stephen Beards Clerk

EPISTLE

TO THE

QUARTERLY AND MONTHLY MEETINGS,

Within the limits of New-England Yearly Meeting, and the individual Members of the Society of Friends.

BELoved FRIENDS :

Assembled together at our accustomed time and place for the transaction of the affairs of our religious society in New-England, with sincere desires for the health and prosperity of all our brethren and sisters in the ever blessed Truth, and the promotion and advancement of the cause of our Redeemer in the earth, circumstances have arisen with which we deem it essential to make you acquainted.

For a long series of years it pleased the Great Head of the Church to watch over us and permit us to meet together in love, and to enable us to result the various important matters which came before us to mutual comfort and edification : we have not been without our trials, but strength was afforded to meet them. We were in great measure spared the afflictions which fell upon Friends in various sections of our society on this continent, from unsoundness in the fundamental doctrines of our holy relig-

ion, producing divisions with them, whilst we continued a united and increasing people.

Many of you are nevertheless sensible that for years past a few individuals in some places have given concern to the rightly exercised among us ; that of later times this spirit by which they were influenced has shown itself more conspicuously, and led to separation in one of our quarters. Upon our first gathering together at this time several of those who had thus caused grief to Friends appeared and presented an account purporting to be from their Quarterly Meeting, which, with sincere desires that they might have a full opportunity of stating their case, and if needful have the desired relief, was referred in the first place to the Representatives in a body, (exclusive of those from the Quarterly Meeting from which two accounts were presented,) no objection being made to their case being opened in the meeting in its collective capacity, should this be subsequently judged best. The persons who claimed to be aggrieved denied the jurisdiction of this committee, and with others coming to our afternoon sitting, proceeded in what they termed the business of New-England Yearly Meeting, to the interruption of Friends ; remaining in the house till the minute of adjournment was read—since which they have not been with us, but as we are informed assembled in another place, thus effecting the sorrowful work of separation, which had been commenced in Rhode-Island Quarterly Meeting. During the time alluded to and since, Friends have been mercifully favored to preserve much mental equanimity and becoming order, proceeding in their business, we trust, in the wisdom of Truth, and in numbers not fewer than in former years.

It is not for us in this communication to enter into those remote causes which have led to this painful result. They might, doubtless, be found in a departure from

humble, lowly waiting upon Christ, and faithfully following the leadings and guidance of his blessed spirit: by unwatchfulness in this respect the door has been opened for the accuser of the Brethren to come in. And it may not be wrong to inquire whether there are not herein evidences of a lack of that deep sense of the fallen condition of man, of our need of that redemption which comes by Christ, and the value of the means provided for our help. Had those who are now troubling us been grounded in that faith which works by love to the purifying of the heart, would they not have found,—as we seek shall we not all find—that necessity for a deep indwelling with the Spirit of Truth, which preserves from such uncalled for and unsanctified proceedings?

Dear Friends, we have had, and shall have much to bear; misrepresentation of fact in respect of our disciplinary proceedings; false and utterly unfounded charges of a general unsoundness of doctrine amongst us have been widely circulated; brethren and sisters, whose lives are before us, have been unsparingly traduced.

We have with great unanimity issued a statement, which has been deliberately read and considered in both our Men's and Women's Meetings, of the facts of the case, and a declaration of our unshaken faith as Christians and as Friends—these documents we earnestly recommend to your serious attention. Connected with their perusal, let us seek after living aspirations to commit our way in well doing unto the Lord.

From the days of our worthy predecessors, George Fox, Robert Barclay, William Penn and others, in every trial of this description which has been permitted Friends in this country or our beloved brethren of Great Britain, charges have been freely made, as of false doctrine, misapplied discipline, the rule and influence of station, gifts,

talents, wealth and learning—with what truth, in past days, their invaluable writings set forth—with no more truth are they now urged.

Man is fallible ; but with the sincerity of action which has attended all the movements in this matter, many of you are acquainted, and know full well that the charges are utterly untenable, and proof in these matters impossible ; but, affecting as it is, there seems to be a remarkable recklessness in many who have fallen into this snare as to results.

During most of two centuries the Yearly Meetings of Friends have, although independent bodies, occupied much common ground, in addition to that of uniting in the same profession of our Christian faith. Ministers recognized in one, have been so acknowledged, and encouraged to labor in others ; the transfer of rights to membership and intermarriage have not been affected by the Yearly Meeting lines.

Regardless of the blessings which those wise provisions of our forefathers have led us to enjoy, the movements now made must cripple, if not destroy, arrangements fraught with indescribable benefit, for no definable, certainly no adequate end—discord is introduced, though it may divide between Meetings, near and dear friends, and even embitter the tenderest relations of life, and urged onwards with a blind impetuosity as to results which nothing but the most obvious reasons—as a manifest departure from living faith, or our long cherished testimonies—could justify.

Instead of Friends and Meetings striving to encourage each other in the faithful maintenance of our religious principles before others, the grand aim with some now appears to be, the detection of things in which some dissonance of view may be discovered, to the sad overlooking

of that "charity which hopeth all things," and the weakening of the Society in that testimony to the love, spirituality, purity and simplicity of the gospel which we fully believe has been given us, as a people, to bear.

In thus briefly pointing your attention to the trials which have been permitted to overtake us, it is not our object to introduce you into controversy, or awaken any feelings of irritation towards those through whom the offence has come; but on the contrary, we would guard you against it. Controversy, which so generally seeks the weak side, and not unfrequently attacks character, is dangerous to all, and especially to the young. We rarely dwell upon or expose the errors of others, without a secret feeling of self-satisfaction, which draws from that which should be the constant concern of life—a close attention to our own faults—its results upon individuals and bodies, in the evidences of self-exaltation and a judging spirit but too often afforded, ought to warn us against entering upon it, or proceeding one step beyond the clear requirements of Truth; whilst as to the feelings which ought to pervade our hearts towards our erring friends, a deep sorrow for them in their bewildered state, and a prayerful desire for their restoration should ever predominate. Some of them, we doubt not, have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge; that knowledge, which in a humble abiding before him, we believe He will continue to dispense to the seeking soul. Not entangled in the right hand or the left hand errors which have sorrowfully, at different times, found place and produced schisms in our society, let us strive to keep a straight forward course, walking in the footsteps of our forefathers, as they followed the Lamb.

We believe, dear Friends, that it is incumbent upon us, in much tenderness to spread before you a caution in relation to the multiplied publications that are now very

freely circulated within our limits and elsewhere, "reflecting darkly on Friends," and to revive the admonition of our Discipline, "that no such book, pamphlet or paper, be written, printed, published or privately handed about, by any under our profession." Various publications to which we refer, containing statements, which are not supported by facts, and into which the names of many worthy Friends are very freely introduced, or they in some way designated, and unjustly represented, may surely be regarded in the fullest sense *pernicious*; and as such, they should not be circulated or read.

It has been deeply affecting to us to learn, that under the influence of that delusive spirit to which we have referred, some have accepted the contents of such books, and received written or verbal statements from interested parties, as of almost equal validity with those contained in publications issued by regularly constituted bodies of valuable Friends, a description of document, to which implicit credence has heretofore been given—and under such false impressions, have imbibed and urged individual sentiments, against the solid judgment of the body—proceedings totally at variance with that into which the Truth leads.

The advice contained in an ancient Epistle, put forth by George Whitehead, Stephen Crisp and others, in the year 1666, is applicable to our day, and we urge it upon your serious attention. "If any who are out of the unity with the body of Friends, print or cause to be printed or published in writing anything which is not of service for the Truth, but tends to the reproach and scandal of faithful Friends, or to beget or uphold division or faction; then we do warn and charge all Friends that love the Truth, as they desire it may prosper and be kept clear, to beware and take heed of having any hand in printing, publishing or spreading such books or writings."

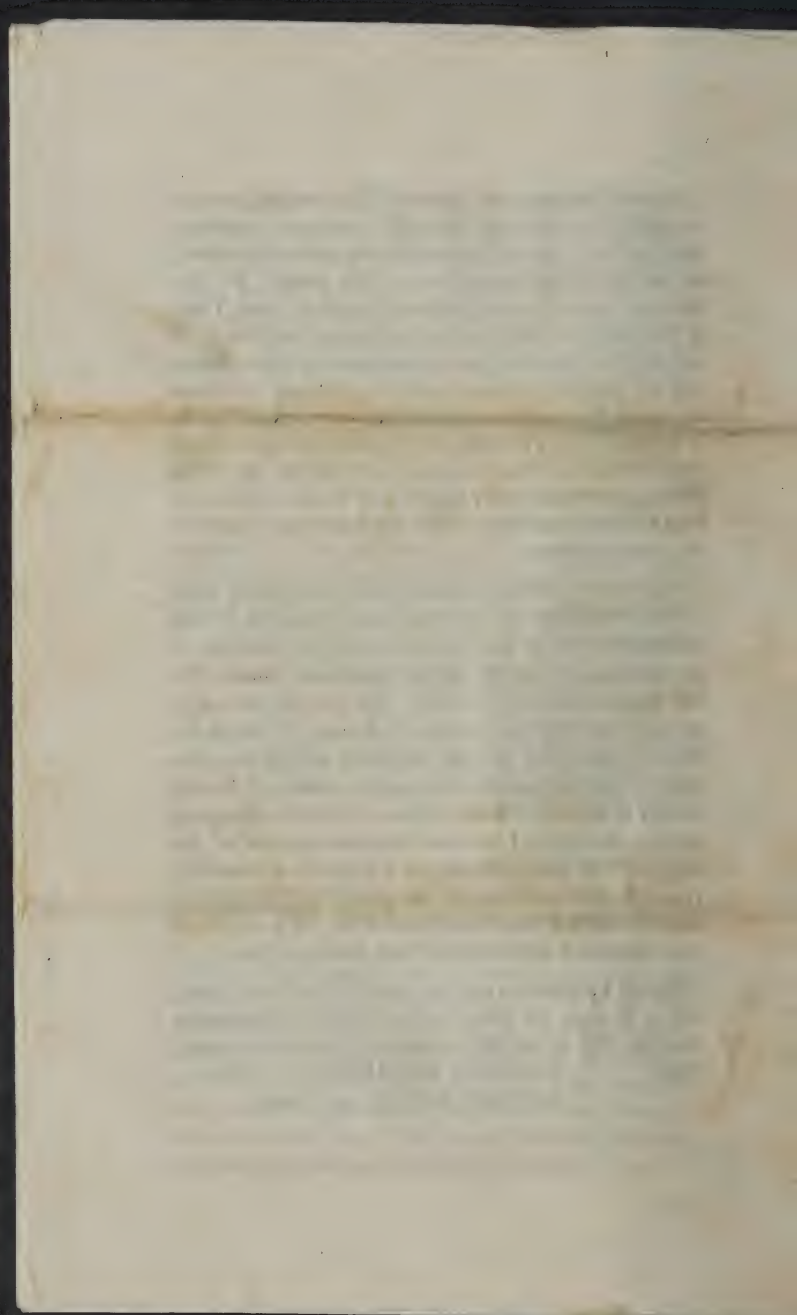
Beloved Brethren and Sisters—We commend you to the Lord for safety—we fervently crave your preservation, and that you may witness a unity one with another, in the true fellowship and love of the gospel. In this Meeting various epistles from our Friends of other Yearly Meetings have been read to our comfort, and we have felt it to be a peculiar blessing and cause for thankfulness that we have been favored with the company of divers concerned and qualified Friends from different Yearly Meetings, whose sympathy, unity, and advice, have been truly acceptable, comforting and instructive to us. This Meeting has been closely united, and we have been enabled to travel together in sweet and harmonious labor for the cause of Truth.

We are now about to separate, under a humbling sense of the love and mercy of the adorable Head, that he has condescended to be near, and as we trust, to direct us in the steps that we should take in his militant church. We bid you affectionately farewell. May you be favored to possess your souls in patience, enduring all things for Christ's sake—that through watching unto prayer, you may be enabled to perceive the subtile snares of the adversary of souls, and in the silence of all flesh, distinguish between the voice of the true Shepherd and that of the stranger. To this unslumbering Shepherd we commend you. He still careth for the flock, and as they hearken to and obey his voice, will, blessed be his name, keep them in his safe enclosure now and forever.—Amen.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Yearly Meeting of Friends, for New-England, held by adjournments from the 15th to the 23d inclusive, of the sixth month, 1845.

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jr., Clerk.

HANNAH GOULD, Jr., Clerk.



YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND, SIXTH MONTH, 1845.

A cession from our Religious Society having to some extent taken place within the limits of this Yearly Meeting, and divers meetings set up, bearing the name of, and claiming to be meetings of the Society of Friends, we have deemed it a prudent measure, (though we trust not actually called for in many of our meetings, on account of any disaffection towards Society within their borders,) in order to relieve our Friends abroad from any embarrassment in the acceptance of Certificates and other papers from New-England, to appoint correspondents in *all* our Monthly Meetings, whose duty it shall be to sign all certificates and other papers issued by those Meetings respectively, in addition to the usual signing of the Clerk. And any one of whom, within the limits of their respective Quarterly Meetings, may sign any document issued by such Quarterly Meeting.

In case of removal by death or otherwise, of any of the correspondents now appointed, Quarterly Meetings are authorised to supply any vacancies that may occur till the time of our next Yearly Meeting. From the Minutes of said Meeting,

ABRAHAM SHEARMAN, Jun., Clerk.

CORRESPONDENTS OF NEW-ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING,

[APPOINTED SIXTH MONTH, 1845.]

RHODE-ISLAND QUARTERLY MEETING.

	Correspondents.	Post Office Address.
<i>Rhode-Island Monthly Meeting,</i>	Jethro F. Mitchell,	<i>Newport, R. I.</i>
<i>Greenwich do. do.</i>	Rowland Greene,	<i>Fiskville, "</i>
<i>Swansey do. do.</i>	Oliver Earle,	<i>Swansey, Mass.</i>
<i>Providence do. do.</i>	Samuel Boyd Tobey,	<i>Providence, R. I.</i>

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING.

<i>Salem Monthly Meeting.</i>	Nathan Breed,	<i>Lynn, Mass.</i>
<i>Seabrook do. do.</i>	Moses Huntington, Jr.	<i>Amesbury, "</i>
<i>Weare do. do.</i>	Abijah Johnson,	<i>Weare, N. H.</i>

SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING.

<i>Sandwich Monthly Meeting,</i>	Maltiah Gifford.	<i>West Falmouth, Mass.</i>
<i>Pembroke do. do.</i>	Calvin Shepherd,	<i>Pembroke, "</i>
<i>Nantucket do. do.</i>	Cromwell Barnard,	<i>Nantucket, "</i>
<i>Dartmouth do. do.</i>	George Almy,	<i>North Dartmouth P. O., Mass.</i>
<i>Westport do. do.</i>	Samuel Slade,	<i>Westport, "</i>
<i>New-Bedford do. do.</i>	John Howland,	<i>New-Bedford, "</i>

FALMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING.

<i>Falmouth Monthly Meeting,</i>	John W. Minot,	<i>Westbrook, Stephen's Plains P. O. Me.</i>
<i>Durham do. do.</i>	Thomas Jones,	<i>South Durham, "</i>
<i>Windham do. do.</i>	Nathan Pope,	<i>Windham, "</i>

SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING.

<i>Smithfield Monthly Meeting,</i>	Arnold Aldrich,	<i>Wainsoaket P. O., R. I.</i>
<i>Uxbridge do. do.</i>	Benjamin Wheeler,	<i>Northbridge, Mass.</i>
<i>Richmond do. do.</i>	Levi Wheeler,	<i>Richmond, N. H.</i>
<i>Bolton do. do.</i>	James N. Fry,	<i>Bolton, Mass.</i>

VASSALBOROUGH QUARTERLY MEETING.

<i>Vassalborough Monthly Meeting,</i>	Daniel Taber,	<i>Vassalborough, Maine.</i>
<i>China do. do.</i>	Stephen Jones, Jr.	<i>Palermo, "</i>
<i>Unity do. do.</i>	Joseph Taber,	<i>Albion, "</i>

DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING.

<i>Dover Monthly Meeting,</i>	Joseph Tuttle,	<i>Dover, N. H.</i>
<i>Berwick do. do.</i>	John D. Lang,	<i>North Berwick, Maine.</i>
<i>Sandwich do. do.</i>	Benjamin Fry,	<i>Centre Sandwich, N. H.</i>

FAIRFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING.

<i>Sidney Monthly Meeting,</i>	Samuel Taylor, Jr.	<i>Fairfield, Maine.</i>
<i>Litchfield do. do.</i>	Elijah Pope,	<i>Hallowell Cross Roads, Maine.</i>
<i>St. Albans do. do.</i>	David Douglas,	<i>East St. Albans, "</i>

It is requested, in order that Certificates from other Yearly Meetings, may duly reach the Meetings to which they are directed within the limits of this, that they be addressed or sent to one of these Friends.



E X T R A C T
FROM THE MINUTES OF THE
Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England,
HELD ON RHODE-ISLAND,
From the 15th to the 23d, inclusive, of the Sixth month, 1845.

The Annual Report of the Committee of this Meeting having the government and superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, was produced and read, and being satisfactory to us, the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings. Extract from the Minutes of said Meeting,

A. SHEARMAN, Jun. Clerk.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

THE Boarding School Committee report, That they have endeavored during the past year, to discharge the duties entrusted to them by the Yearly Meeting, in superintending the concerns of the Boarding School. The average number of scholars has been eighty. Meetings have been regularly held in the house, except during the vacations; and harmony has prevailed.

Our friends Allen and Olive Wing, who have acceptably served the Institution as Superintendents for several years past, having requested to be released at the close of the last summer term, we engaged our friends Olney and Lydia Thompson to take their places, and they entered upon the duties of that station in the 10th month last. Charles Atherton, William Nicholson and Edward Hoag are engaged as Teachers in the Boys' School, and Mary Atherton, Gertrude E. Whittier, and Elizabeth Prosser, in the Girls'. Elizabeth J. Aldrich has been employed as Teacher in the Girls' school the past year.

The Treasurer's and Superintendent's accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School from all sources, the past year, has been \$9,380 40-100, and its expenditures \$11,134 47-100, including \$1,542 59-100, paid for land purchased from a donation, and in accordance with the will of our late friend Moses Brown. And there is now a balance in the Treasury of \$4,469 4-100.

We would propose that the price of board and tuition be continued the same as last year, viz: \$30 per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, \$45 for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and \$50 for those of other Yearly Meetings.—Books and Stationery being furnished as at present. We also deem it safe to propose, that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar free of expense, for one term; and that they may occupy this privilege either during the next winter term, or during the summer term of *next year*, according to the discretion of the Monthly Meeting; but that if the Monthly Meeting desires to occupy the privilege in the summer term, as now proposed, it shall inform the Acting Committee thereof at their meeting in the 10th month, [held on the 7th day thereof.]

The Schools have been examined at the close of each term by a committee appointed for that purpose, and by their reports it appears that they have been generally satisfied with the evidence afforded by the diligence and application of the children to their studies, of their orderly deportment, and of the faithfulness and ability of the Teachers. Instruction continues to be given in the Languages when desired, on the same terms as heretofore, viz: \$5 additional for the term.

The object that Friends had in view in the establishment of this Institution, and the lively concern the Society has felt and continues to feel, that the youth among us may have the advantages of a good school, without exposure to those associations which in a greater or less degree tend to alienate their tender minds from the simplicity of our profession, may, we trust, in good degree be realized by placing our children in this Institution. And we would affectionately encourage Friends to be willing to make some sacrifice, if sacrifice be required, to afford those under their care an opportunity to acquire a sound and guarded education.

Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee,

JONATHAN L. SLOCUM, Clerk.

Boarding School, 5th month 2d, 1845.



At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Sandwich 10th Mo-3^d 1845
By accounts received from our several monthly
meetings the representatives are for Dover
Sinclair, Hanson, Thomas, Roberts and Cyrus
Bangs for Berwick, Nicholas, Estes, William
Alphson, Albert C. Buffum and Josiah
Driscoll for Sandwich, John Hoar,
Benjamin, Gore and John S. Horn
who are all present. The Queries have been
read in this meeting with their answers from
our several monthly meetings. This meeting with the con-
currence of the Women's Meeting unites with Dover
monthly meeting in approving the public appearances
in the Ministry of Joseph Little, which of course
releases him from the station of an Elder and
the Clerk is directed to give the necessary infor-
mation. This meeting is also united with Berwick
monthly meeting in the appointment of Joseph
Bracket and Salome C. Bracket to the
station of Elders the Women's Meeting concurring
herin and the Clerk is directed to give the ne-
cessary information. The Report of the Boarding
School Committee has been read at this time and
is satisfactory to us. Our beloved Friend Samuel
Gifford attended this meeting with a Certificate of
Concurrence from Sandwich Monthly Meeting
dated 10th Mo-3^d 1845, whose Company and
Gospel labours have been satisfactory to us.
We have also the acceptable Company of our
beloved friend Mabel Goffe as Companions
to our sponsored friend Samuel Gifford with
a Certificate of Concurrence from Sandwich
Monthly Meeting dated 10th Mo-3^d 1845. The
Clerk is directed to furnish our friends that
were in attendance with us in the 8th Mo. let
with extracts of the minutes taken in their
favour respectively and sign them on behalf of
this meeting. It appears by an extract from the
minutes of our last Yearly Meeting that that

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meeting concluded to raise the sum of two thousand dollars as stock. This meeting's proportion of which being one hundred and twenty five dollars. And we appoint Ezra Gould, Cyrus Bangs, Albert C. Buffum, Walter Sawyer, Daniel Fry, and Josiah Prescott to make a new appointment to our several monthly meetings of the same, thus to be raised and report at next meeting. The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude postponing to meet again at Rochester at the usual time in the 1st month.

Stephen Beede Clerk

First Month 1846

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester 1st Mo 22^d 1846
By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives are for Dover John Meader Benjamin H. Jones, Jesse Roberts and Levi Sawyer for Berwick Stephen Perkins for Allen John D. Lane and William Cressay for Sandwich Stephen Roberts Stephen Beede Sarah Warner and Priscilla Good who are all present. The Queries have been read in this Meeting with their requisite answers from our several Monthly Meetings. This meeting unites with Berwick Monthly Meeting in dismissing both John Meader and Phoebe Meader from the station of Elders the Women's Meeting, concerning home and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information. Berwick Monthly Meeting having made the following request for the advice and assistance of this meeting, "As we are often brought into trouble by those who have seceded from us on account of our meeting house at North Berwick, and are concerned to move, along consistent with our Christian principle and testimony we are desirous of the advice and assistance of the Quarterly Meeting respecting our future movements in this matter." After a time of deliberation we are united in calling

The attention of the Quarterly Meeting's committee now under appointment to the subject requesting them, to give such advice and assistance to the Berwick Monthly Meeting as may seem to them proper in the case with Liberty to call on the Meeting for sufferings for its advice and assistance should they deem it expedient. Our beloved Friend James Jones attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from China monthly meeting of 12th Mo 16th 1845. Whose company and Gospel labours have been satisfactory to us. We have also the acceptable company of our beloved friend Orisha Jones as companions to our aforesaid friend James Jones with minutes of concurrence from China the Meeting of 12th Mo 16th 1845. Our beloved Friend Corinthus Douglas attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from ^{Excessed by Pass of Berwick Quarterly meeting of 25th mo 28 1845} Tadboroough monthly meeting of 5th Mo 14th 1845. Whose company and Gospel labours have been satisfactory to us. We have also the acceptable company of our beloved friend Daniel Taber as companion to our aforesaid friend Corinthus Douglas with a minute of concurrence from Tadboroough monthly meeting of 9th Mo 17th 1845.

The committee appointed at our last meeting to make a new apportionment of Yearly Meeting Stock made the following report. At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends the Committee appointed to apportion the Quarterly meeting's proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock among our several Monthly Meetings report, that they have concluded to apportion the same as follows

to Dover monthly Meeting	58 per cent
" Berwick "	18 per cent
" Sandwich "	24 per cent

Sandwich 10th Mo 23^d 1845.

Walter Sawyer
for the Committee,
which is satisfactory, and our Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their several proportions according to the Quarterly Meeting's Treasurers

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The Clerk is directed to furnish the Friends that were in attendance, with us in the 10th Mo last with extracts from the minutes taken in their favour.

The business of our Meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude, proposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th month next.

Stephen Beede Clerk

Fourth Month 1846

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Dover 1st Mo 23rd 1846

By Accounts rec^d from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives are for Dover Asa C. Yittle, Timothy Hanson, Samuel Dennis and Jonathan Lane for Berwick John C. Lang, Stephen Jenkins and Benjamin Buffum for Sandwich Benjamin Fry, Stephen Beede, and Thomas Ayres, who are all present.

The Minutes have been read and answers to them from our several Monthly meetings from which the following Summary is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting.

Answer 1st All our meetings have been attended except one small meeting omitted a few times and occasionally by most friends except by those who have separated from us. Yet they are much neglected by some of our members, particularly in the middle of the week. The hour generally pretty well observed by most who attend, but partly clear of unbecoming behaviour except some instances of sleeping, and some care taken.

2nd We trust there is a good degree of Love & Unity maintained by most friends, and attractions generally guarded against except by those who have seceded from us. Care is taken as to Differences.

3rd We think most friends are in a good degree careful in these respects; yet deficiencies are apparent in some, and it is feared particularly so with regard to pernicious readings.

4th We believe friends are careful in the several particulars of this query except in a few instances where spirituous liquors are used other than for medicine. Some care taken.

5th We know of no cause of complaint in regard to the several particulars of this process.

6th Some care is taken in this respect, yet there appears to be wanting, a sufficient care, as there have been several instances of manning out of the order of Friends, three of which are under notice.

7th We think friends are in a good degree careful.

8th We believe friends are generally careful in these respects.

9th Generally careful as to recording. Clear as to certificates except in a few instances.

10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders; but we fear not so fully as is called for by this query. Judgement has been placed where it has appeared ^{necessary} we trust according to Discipline.

The appointed John D. Long, T. Benajah T. Buffum, Asa C. Tuttle, Timothy Cannon and Samuel Dennis represent-
ation to said Yearly Meeting.

The Committee appointed in the 11th Mo. last to visit Subor-
dinate meetings, families and individuals as way might
open for, and render such advice and assistance as
circumstances might require made the following
report Vizes

To Dear Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be
held the 23rd of 4th Mo. 1846. The joint Committee of men and
women friends appointed by the quarterly meeting in the 11th Mo.
1845. to visit subordinate meetings, families, and individuals
as way might open for and render such advice and
assistance as circumstances might require and best
wisdom direct. Inform that since our report in
the 8th Mo. last, some labour and advice have been
bestowed by the Committee. And in making our
report we believe it right in our capacity as
committee to inform the Quarterly Meeting, that since
the separation in T. Benwick Monthly Meeting, and in Town
Quarterly Meeting in the 8th Mo. last, the Separatists con-
tinue to hold a meeting which they denominate Benwick
Monthly Meeting of Friends. And at the adjournment

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of our quarterly meeting on 5th day the 28th of the
 11th Mo. last a few individuals members of our
 11 meetings aided and encouraged by those who had
 11 interrupted our proceedings, remained in the
 11 house and as we are informed organized a separate
 11 meeting, assuming the name of Dover Quarterly Meeting
 11 of Friends, which meeting we understand is
 11 still kept up under said name &
 11 We suggest for the consideration of the Quarterly
 11 Meeting, the appointment of a similar committee
 11 for the year ensuing.
 11 Done 11th mo 23 1846

Joseph Guttle } In
 Benja Fry } behalf of
 Sarah P Guttle } the
 Abigail M Hanson } Committee

which being deliberated, considered is satisfactory in
 this meeting and in accordance with it we choose
 Joseph Guttle, Benjamin Fry, Benjamin H. Jones,
 Walter Sawyer, Tobias Meader, Asa C. Guttle, Jacob
 H. Parinton, Jonathan Davis, Jesse Roberts, John D.
 Lang, Benjamin Buffum, Timothy Hanson, Stephen
 Reed, and William Hubber, to join a committee of
 women friends for similar purposes the ensuing year
 Dover Monthly Meeting having appointed Tobias Meader
 and Sarah Lighton to the station of elders and
 having approved the public appearances in the
 ministry of Hannah C. Sawyer, the appointments
 and approval having, claimed the deliberate
 consideration of this meeting are severally united
 with the Women's meeting, concurring herein and
 the clerk is directed to give the necessary infor-
 mation We appoint Asa C. Guttle ex officio
 Treasurer to this meeting the ensuing year. Our Treasurer
 is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly
 Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of that meeting.

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A Separation having taken place among friends since our last Yearly Meeting within the limits of this Quarterly Meeting, and also of 'Berwick, Monthly Meeting. It is our conclusion to forward to our ensuing Yearly Meeting information thereof, with the circumstances attending the same. Which will be found in the Minutes in relation thereto, made at Quarterly Meeting in the 8th Mo last, and at the present time; and the Clerk is directed to forward the same to the Yearly Meeting accordingly.

The business of the meeting being closed at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at North Berwick, at the usual time in the 8th Mo next.

Stephen Bude Clerk

Eighth Month 1846

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 8th Mo 2nd 1846. By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings, the representations are; for Dover, Samuel Dennis, Jonathan Dams, Timothy Hanson and Asa Little - for Berwick, Stephen Perkins, William Tappan and John D. Lane - for Sandwich, Stephen Bude, John Hoag and Frederick Selch. Who are present except one.

As there are several persons present who have separated from us, and are not members with us, who have been feelingly requested to withdraw and leave friends select for the transaction of the concerns of Society, but refuse. We are therefore initiated in adjourning, accordingly, this meeting stands adjourned to meet at this place at 3 O'clock this afternoon.

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Afternoon met according to adjournment
The representatives being called are present
as before. The time having expired for
which the Clerks were appointed the representative
propose Stephen Beide for Clerk and
Benjamin H. Jones for Assistant Clerk, accord-
ing to this meeting appoints them to that service
the ensuing year. The Minutes have been
read in this meeting with answers from our
several monthly meetings to the 1st 2^d & 10th
query.

Passes the following copy as from our
last Yearly Meeting, together with the Minutes of
the Boarding School Committee. Also the
following Epistles, all of which have been
read, and are to our satisfaction, Copies of which
are directed to be forwarded to our Monthly
meetings.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island in the sixth month, 1846—

The Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence presented their annual report, which was read; and while the care thus manifested by the Committee is satisfactory to this Meeting, yet, in view of the importance of the concern, and with desires that the greatest amount of good may be dispensed to the members of our religious Society from an Institution established, as we doubt not, in best wisdom, and endowed and cherished by beloved friends, deeply concerned for the promotion of truth and the preservation and guarded education of the children of this Society, we are induced now to appoint our friends * * * * * a Committee to take the whole subject into their solid consideration, and if, after careful deliberation, they are prepared to propose any change, either in the Committee or in the manner of their discharging the duties of their appointment, or to make any other suggestion that they apprehend will promote the interests of the Institution, they are requested to report the same to a future sitting of this Meeting.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee to whom this subject was referred presented the following report, viz. :—

“ TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

“ The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the report of the School Committee, and who were requested to make any suggestions that they might deem important in relation to the welfare of the School and promotion of the best interests of the Institution, report :

“ That they have given to the subject their careful deliberation, and are united in making the following propositions to the Yearly Meeting, viz. :

“ In order to effect a more direct responsibility on the part of those appointed by the Yearly Meeting to superintend the School, and to induce greater efficiency of action in the direction and management of its affairs, we would propose that a small Committee of twelve of each sex should be appointed by the Yearly Meeting, to whom should be committed the care and superintendence of the Institution, six of whom (three of each sex) should be released from the charge and six others substituted annually. These six should be eligible to reappointment after one year, and the others to continue to be released in rotation, from year to year.

“ It should be understood that this Committee should give their personal attention closely to the School, and should meet there monthly and appoint of their number such as they should deem proper to have the more immediate charge thereof during the recess of their meetings. They should visit the Schools to know for themselves their true state, by attending them during school hours, and by witnessing, advising, and directing in relation to the process of instruction, and they should judge of the standing and progress of the children, and enter into free intercourse with them and their teachers. They should advise with and direct the Superintendents respecting the expenditures and domestic management of the family, and endeavor to feel and exercise an individual interest in the various concerns of the Institution.

“ We would also propose that the Yearly Meeting should appoint a General Committee on the subject of education, to be composed of Friends from the several Quarterly Meetings, to promote the guarded education of our children, both in the Boarding School and in Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting and family schools, in accordance with the concern long felt by the Yearly Meeting. This Committee on Education should meet and consult with the School Committee at the time of our Yearly Meeting at Newport, and also at the School at the time of the examination in the tenth month at the close of the summer term. Both Committees should freely communicate with each other, and thereby endeavor to promote the guarded, religious education of the youth of our Society. The whole to be subject to the control and direction of the Yearly Meeting annually.

“ On behalf of the Committee,

“ ROWLAND GREENE,
“ SOPHRONIA PAGE.

“ Newport, 6th mo. 18th, 1846.”

—Which was fully considered and united with, and the propositions therein contained adopted by the Meeting; and the same Friends who presented the report were requested to produce to our

next sitting the names of suitable Friends to constitute the two Committees proposed to be appointed by this Meeting.

The report of the Boarding School Committee for the past year being approved was directed to be recorded and transmitted by the Clerk to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

" TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

"The Boarding School Committee report, that they have endeavored the past year to discharge the duties entrusted to them by the Yearly Meeting in superintending the concerns of the Institution.

"Religious meetings have been regularly held in the house except during the vacations. The average number of scholars the past year has been eighty-four. The schools have been examined at the close of each term by a committee appointed for the purpose, from whose reports it appears that the evidence afforded of diligence and proficiency on the part of the pupils, and ability and faithfulness on that of the teachers, were satisfactory and encouraging. Instruction continues to be given in the languages when desired on the same conditions as heretofore, to wit, five dollars a term additional charge.

"The Treasurer's and Superintendents' accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School for the last year has been \$9,534 93, and the expenditures \$11,131 39; leaving a balance in the treasury of \$2,886 74.

"We would propose that the terms for board and tuition be the same as last year, to wit, thirty dollars a term for members of this Yearly Meeting, forty-five dollars for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for members of other Yearly Meetings, books and stationary being furnished as at present. We would also propose that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar a term free of expense, as last year, and that they occupy this privilege either in the winter term or in the summer term next succeeding; and the Monthly Meetings are desired, should they deem it best not to send a scholar till the summer term, to inform the Acting Committee at its meeting in the tenth month.

"Our friends Olney and Lydia Thompson are engaged as Superintendents, and Charles Atherton, Samuel Austin and Edward Heag as teachers in the boys' school, and Mary Atherton and Gertrude Whittier in the girls'. David C. Chace was employed during the winter term as an assistant in the boys' department, and Elizabeth Prosser during the year in the girls'. William Nicholson was also employed as a teacher in the boys' school during the summer term of the past year.

"Since our last report, the Committee have made several valuable additions to the philosophical apparatus belonging to the Institution.

"Although the number of scholars has been somewhat larger during the past than the preceding year, yet the Committee regret that no more of the children of Friends enjoy the advantages which the Institution affords for a thorough school education, free in good measure from the corrupting influences of the world. The improved condition of schools, both public and private, within the limits of New England, may seem to have diminished the necessity of placing our children in the Boarding School; but we believe that most of these schools will be found to exercise an influence adverse to the simplicity and purity of our Christian profession, and many of them to expose the susceptible minds of our youth to those corrupting associations from which it has ever been the concern of Friends carefully to guard them. The religious concern for the guarded education of our children, which the principal donors to the school fund uniformly manifested, we hope will be steadily borne in mind by all those upon whom devolve the parental care and guardianship of the young: that the substantial advantages so liberally placed within their reach may be reaped to greater extent in time to come.

"Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee,

"JONATHAN L. SLOCUM, Clerk.

"Boarding School, 5th mo. 8th, 1846."

The Committee to whom it was referred to produce to this Meeting the names of suitable Friends to constitute a School Committee, propose the following, to wit:

"Perez Peck, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, Samuel Taylor, Jr., John Osborne, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyce, John D. Lang, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chace, David Buffum, Rowland Greene.

"Elizabeth Meader, Eliza B. Boyce, Sarah F. Tobey, Lydia Congdon, Sophronia Page, Susan Howland, Joanna Peck, Eunice Metcalf, Ann Elmira Lang, Eliza A. Osborne, Mary Shove, Mary B. Allen."

—Which being satisfactory, they are appointed a Committee to act on our behalf in the care and superintendence of the Boarding School, agreeably to a proposal adopted by this Meeting yesterday; and they are requested to render such personal attention at the Institution as they may be able to do, giving such advice and directions in the various concerns thereof as they may deem calculated to promote its interests in accordance with the original concern of this Meeting in establishing a school for the guarded, religious education of the youth of our Society, and report to this Meeting next year.

The following Friends (being two of each sex from each Monthly Meeting) are proposed to constitute a Committee on Education, to wit:—

"Rhode Island Quarter"—Moses H. Beede, Jethro F. Mitchell, Timothy C. Collins, Benjamin Greene, Jervis Shove, Thomas S. Gifford, Gilbert Congdon, James Dennis.

"Elizabeth Wing, Mary Williams, Laura L. Chase, Sarah Slade, Elizabeth Peckham, Freeclove Greene, Mary W. Smith, Anna T. Dennis."

"Salem"—William H. Chase, Nathan Breed of Lynn, Moses Huntington, Jr., Newell Ordway, Herrod Chase, Joshua Page.

"Elizabeth H. Chase, Mary E. Breed, Elizabeth Gove, Susan L. Brown, Alice Page, Anna Johnson."

"Sandwich"—George Howland, Jr., Charles R. Tucker, Newell Hoxie, Ebenezer Wing, William Mitchell, Abraham R. Wing, George Almy, George W. Francis, John Macomber, Adna Davis, Calvin Shepherd, Moses F. Rogers.

"Sarah Anthony, Dorcas F. Tucker, Rebecca C. Hoxie, Mercy H. Wing, Sarah Barnard, Lydia Mitchell, Mary Gifford, Phebe R. Gifford, Barbary Gifford, Rebecca Church, Sarah J. Brown, Mary Shepherd."

"Falmouth"—Abraham Winslow, Joseph Cartland, Nathan Pope, Lemuel Jones of Windham, Caleb Jones, Henry M. Minot, Nathan Douglas, Lemuel Jones of Brunswick.

"Mary Bracket, Susan P. Cartland, Lydia Allen, Sarah W. Pope, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Minot, Eunice J. Rich, Maria B. Jones."

"Smithfield"—Arnold Aldrich 2d, Thomas Grover, Edward Earle, Paul Wing, John E. Frye, David Badcock.

"Catharine Comstock, Abigail Inman, Ann B. Earle, Elizabeth Southwick, Rachel F. Holder, Sarah C. Frye."

"Vassalboro'"—Moses Taber, Thomas B. Nichols, Eli Jones, Lot Jones, Joseph Taber, Asa Jones.

"Lydia P. Frye, Theodate S. Pope, Mary Cook, Mary R. Jones, Deborah B. Warren, Jane H. Jones."

"Dover"—Benjamin Frye, Stephen Beede, Walter Sawyer, Benjamin H. Jones, Benajah Buffum, Peter M. Neal.

"Abigail Beede, Sarah Hoag, Abigail M. Hanson, Hannah G. Sawyer, Hannah Morrill, Lydia C. Neal."

"Fairfield"—Joseph Taylor, George Richardson, Alden Sampson, Jacob Pope, Daniel R. Bailey, David Douglas.

"Olive Wing, Lydia Taylor, Sarah T. Sampson, Lucy J. Hawkes, Phebe Bailey, Chloe Douglas."

—Who are satisfactory to this Meeting, and they are appointed to attend to the general service of promoting the guarded education of our youth, particularly as indicated in the minute made yesterday, proposing such an appointment, and they are requested to report to this Meeting next year. The Clerk is directed to make the necessary extracts from our minutes on these subjects, and forward them, together with the names of the Committees now appointed, to our subordinate Meetings.

Signed by direction of the Yearly Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

HANNAH GOULD, JR., *Clerk.*

NOTE.—Wingate Frost, Limmington, Maine, is appointed correspondent of Limmington Monthly Meeting.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island by adjournments from the 14th to the 19th inclusive of the sixth month, 1846—

TO THE QUARTERLY AND MONTHLY MEETINGS.

Being again favored to meet in this our annual assembly, and to partake sweetly of the sustaining bread of life through the unmerited mercy of our Heavenly Father, who in condescending love has extended his wing of goodness over us, you, dear absent Friends, have been brought very feelingly before us, and we have felt concerned to salute you in the fellowship of the unchanging truth, and to endeavor to convey to you a little of the exercises of this Meeting, and of the comforts of which we have been at this time permitted to be partakers. We have been made renewedly to feel, and we crave that it may be abidingly impressed upon our hearts, that all our sure mercies come from God; that He alone can direct us aright, and that it is only as we are engaged to look unto Him, continuing steadfastly in watchfulness unto prayer, that we can witness preservation. Many are the evils that abound in the world—multiplied are the snares and temptations that surround us—and very fervent are our desires that, abiding in lowliness of mind, we may sit as at the feet of the blessed Saviour, waiting to hear the gracious words that proceed out of his mouth.

In the solemn and important engagement of investigating the state of Society as presented to us at this time, we have been, we trust, exercised before the Lord, and have witnessed his Spirit to be near us, under the influence of which his servants have been qualified to impart pertinent counsel and exhortation, which we desire may be productive of good. Under this engagement, parents were earnestly entreated to be faithful in the duty of attending all our religious meetings to offer unto our Heavenly Father the reasonable service of worship and praise, under a sense of our dependence upon Him; and they were impressively exhorted to be very careful to take their tender offspring with them; that as it pleaseth the Lord often to visit the minds of children in very early life, a lasting blessing might be received by them from this religious care of their parents. We were tenderly and impressively warned to guard against pernicious reading, in the various forms in which it abounds at the present day; not only of that reading which is of a light and frivolous character of a general nature, but also of that to which of later time we have been peculiarly exposed, and which is calculated to lessen our attachment to the Truth, and to prejudice our minds in relation to those who feel bound, under much suffering, faithfully to support it, and the precious testimonies and order of our religious Society. A living concern was felt that Friends might promote in their families the diligent reading of the Holy Scriptures with hearts turned unto Him who in the riches of his mercy was pleased to inspire his servants of old to write them, and who has preserved them for our instruction in righteousness unto the present day, and who condescends to open and apply their precious contents to the humble seeking mind. We were feelingly cited to our individual experience, when, in the day of our espousals, we were visited by the Spirit of the Lord, and in tenderness before Him we entered into holy covenant to serve Him, and were earnestly entreated to yield unreservedly to the requirements of truth, that He who has begun a good work in our hearts may carry it on until the day of Jesus Christ. The young were affectionately encouraged to look confidently unto the Lord for preservation and for strength, that in the end they may wear a crown of life.

And, dear young Friends, wherever situated, under the feelings of constraining love, you are now brought very near to us, and we are drawn fervently to exhort you to beware of the whisperings of our subtle foe, who would lead you to believe it may be allowable for you for the present to turn aside from the safe and narrow way to which in after time you can readily return, or who would insinuate that the self-denying path is too limited for you in the strength of your youth to walk in. He that thus speaks to you is a deceiver. The longer you deviate from this path, the more difficult will be your return—the harder the struggles through which you will have to pass if, happily, you are ever restored to the safe enclosure. Submit now in the morning of your days, we entreat you, to the circumscribing power of truth. An early sacrifice is acceptable unto the Lord; and you will witness, as you yield to the requirements of duty, that the yoke of Christ is easy and his burdens light—that the ways of wisdom are pleasantness and all her paths are peace.

Finally, dear Friends, of every age, may we be humbled under a sense of the goodness of our Heavenly Father—may we rejoice with trembling in contemplating the provisions of his mercy in Christ Jesus our Saviour. May we submit ourselves in simplicity unto the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, the gift of the Father and the Son, and walking in the meekness of wisdom before men, show forth in all our lives and conversation that we are the humble followers of a meek and crucified Saviour.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Yearly Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

HANNAH GOULD, JR., *Clerk.*

The Representatives to the Yearly Meeting inform
tho all attended. Our beloved friend Howland
Green attended this meeting with a certificate of
concurrence from Greenwich monthly meeting of
friends held at East Greenwich 6th Mo 29th 1846
Whose company & Gospel labors have been
satisfactory & comforting to us.
Our beloved friend Eli Jones attended this meeting
with a certificate of concurrence from China monthly
meeting held at South China 8th mo 1st 1846. Whose
company & Gospel labors have been satisfactory and
comforting to us. Our beloved friend Anna
King attended this meeting with a certificate of concu-
rrence from Rhoades Island monthly meeting of friends
1st mo 30th 1846. Whose company & Gospel labors have
been satisfactory & comforting to us. Our beloved
friend Ruth H Baker attended this meeting
with a certificate of concurrence from Sandwich
monthly meeting of friends of 8th mo 1st 1846.
Whose company & religious services have been
acceptable to us. Our beloved friends
Gideon and Abigail F. Cornell attended this
meeting with a certificate of concurrence from
Buxton monthly meeting of friends of 9th mo
29th 1846. Whose company & religious services
have been acceptable to us. Our beloved friend
Charles McPaine in company with Howland Green
attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from
Providence monthly meeting of friends of 9th mo 29th
1846. Whose company has been acceptable to us.
Our beloved friend David J. Akin in company
with Ruth H Baker attended this meeting with a
minute of concurrence from Sandwich monthly
meeting of 8th mo 1st 1846. Whose company has been
acceptable to us.

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The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends who are in attendance with us, with Extracts from the minutes taken in their behalf, respectively. The business of the meeting being closed at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th Mo next.

Stephen Beede Clerk

Tenth Month 1846

At Dover, Quarterly Meeting of Friends, held at Sandwich 10th mo 22nd 1846. By accounts received from our several monthly meetings, the Representatives are from Dover, Samuel Davis, Vinette Hanson and Thomas Roberts - for Berwick Benajah Duffum, William Gibson, Isaac and Joseph Brackett and Albert C. Babbins - for Sandwich Ezra Meader, John Hoar and Joshua Hoag, who are all present. The Queries have been read with answers from our monthly meetings to the 1st 2nd 4th 10th Query - Our beloved friend Comfort Tappan is acceptable with us at this time with a certificate of concurrence from China monthly meeting, of friends of 9th mo 15th 1846 and the Clerk is directed to forward an Extract of the above minute to that meeting. By an Extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting it appears that ~~that~~ meeting concluded to raise the sum of \$2500. as Stock; this meeting's proportion of which being \$200. - Which is directed to be appropriated to our monthly meetings as last year.

The business of the meeting being closed at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Rochester at the usual time in the 1st mo next.

Stephen Beede Clerk

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First Month 1844

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
Rochester 1st Mo. 28th 1844. By accounts
received from our several monthly meetings the
Representatives are, for Dover Daniel Meader, John
Meader, and Wm. L. Tuttle for, Benwick,
Benajah Buffum William Tappan and Joseph
Brackets for Sandwich Erna Meaders,
Thomas Ayres and Daniel Fry. Who are
present except one.

Our beloved friend Lindley Murray
Hoag returned to this meeting the certificate
granted him in the 11th Mo. 1844 and informed
Friends that he had been favoured to perform
the visit therein specified to the peace and
satisfaction of his own mind; and as appears
by the following returning certificate to the
satisfaction of Friends in that Country.

From the Morning Meeting of Ministers and Elders
held in London the 28th of the 12th month 1846.

To Sandwich Monthly Meeting, New Hamp-
shire; Dover Quarterly Meeting in the same
State; and the Yearly Meeting of Ministers
and Elders of New England.

Dear Friends

Our dear friend
Lindley Murray Hoag has attended this Meet-
ing and informed us, that he apprehends the time
to be come for him to return to his native
land. It appears that with very little excep-
tion he has been at all the meetings of Friends
in Great Britain; and has in addition held
many meetings with those of other denom-
inations. In the course of the present and

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" the preceding year, he has been twice on the
 " Continent of Europe, in which engagements
 " we are informed that his labours have been
 " acceptable and satisfactory. In these journeys
 " he visited the Friends of Vermont and
 " Windsor, and also those professing with
 " Friends in the South of France, and
 " likewise held many public meetings.

" In the retrospect of the services of
 " this dear friend in our Land, so far
 " as they have come to our knowledge,
 " we feel engaged to commemorate the
 " goodness and mercy of the Great Head
 " of the Church in enabling him to per-
 " form in much faithfulness what he
 " believed to be called for at his hand,
 " and we feel engaged to testify on his behalf
 " that his gospel labours have been sound
 " and edifying; and blessed as we believe
 " to the comfort and encouragement of
 " many.

" In returning to his beloved family and
 " friends we desire for him a measure of
 " that enriching peace which is the promised
 " inheritance of the dedicated followers
 " of the Lord, and that he may be promul-
 " gated to know the blessedness of being hid
 " as in the secret of the tabernacle of the
 " Most High.

" With the salutation
 " of love we remain your friends.

" Signed in and on behalf of the Meeting
 " Josiah Forster Clerk "

The Queries have been read with the required answers from our several Monthly Meetings. Received the following communication from Dovers Monthly Meeting Viz -

" At Dovers Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
 " Dovers 12th Mo - 23^d 1846. This meeting is
 " united in proposing to the Quarterly Meeting
 " that our Monthly Meeting should be held at
 " New Durham in the 10th month instead of
 " being held at Dovers, and likewise in the
 " fifth month instead of being held at Gilmanton
 " as heretofore, having the concurrence of the
 " Women's Meeting herein -

" Extracted from the minutes of
 " the aforesaid Meeting

Benz. H. Jones Clerk

This Meeting with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, united with Dovers Monthly Meeting in changing the holding of said Monthly Meeting from Dovers in the Tenth month and from Gilmanton in the Fifth month to New Durham. and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information -

Our beloved Friends in attendance with us with certificates of concurrence from their respective meetings viz - Phoebe C Haines from Redstone Monthly meeting of 7th Mo 29th 1846 Endorsed by Redstone Quarterly Meeting of Friends 18th Mo 1st 1846.

Martha J Hodges from China Monthly Meeting of 1st Mo 19th 1847 - William B Thompson from Seabrook Monthly Meeting of 1st Mo 7th 1847

Their company and Gospel labours have been satisfactory to us. Also our beloved friend Eli Haines in company with his wife with a minute of concurrence from Redstone Monthly Meeting of 9th Mo 30th 1846 his company has been acceptable to us. And the Clerk

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is directed to furnish our aforesaid friends with the substance of the foregoing minutes. Received 300 copies of the London general Epistle of 184^e which are directed to be distributed to our several Monthly Meetings.

The business of our Meeting being closed at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Dover, at the usual time in the 4th Month next.

Stephen Beebe Clerk

Fourth Month 184^e

(At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Dover 4th Mo 22^e 184^e

By accounts received from our several Monthly meetings the representatives to this meeting are, for Dover Timothy Hanson Thomas Roberts and William Page, for Berwick James Russell, Stephen Jenkins and Benajah Buffum, for Sandwich Oliver Hill Daniel Lee and Ezra Gould who being called are present. The Clerk not being present at this time Jonathan Dams is appointed clerk for the day. We have read the queries and answers received from our monthly meetings a summary of which is prepared for our ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held on Rhode Island, and we appoint William Butler Timothy Hanson Benajah Buffum Benjamin H. Jones and Joseph Butte our representatives to said yearly meeting. Berwick Monthly Meeting having informed this meeting that their correspondent John D. Lang has removed from their meetings, we appoint Benajah Buffum to act as correspondent for the monthly meetings and the Clerk is directed to give the information to the Yearly Meeting.

Walter Taylor is appointed Treasurer for the year ensuing. We have directed our Treasurer to forward to the Yearly Meeting. Treasures our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock. The Quarterly Meeting Committee appointed in the 11th mo. last not having a report ready to lay before the meeting at this time, are continued and requested to report at the next Quarterly Meeting. Our beloved friend Sigval Mc Hanson a minister in good esteem with us, opened in this meeting a prospect that had rested upon his mind for a considerable time of attending the ensuing Yearly Meeting at New York and some other meetings as expressed in a minute granted him by Dover monthly meeting. After a time of deliberate consideration here prospect was united with by this meeting and she left at liberty to pursue the same as Truth may open the way. And the Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of this minute on the minute granted her from Dover monthly meeting and sign the same in behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Benjamin H Jones opened in this meeting a prospect that has rested on his mind of attending the ensuing Yearly Meeting at New York and other meetings as expressed in a minute granted him by Dover monthly meeting. Which after a time of solid consideration was united with, and he is left at liberty to pursue the prospect as Truth may open the way. He being a minister in good esteem with us. And the Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of this minute on the minute granted him by Dover monthly meeting and sign the same in behalf of this meeting.

(Answer to the Queries)

Answer 1st 6th 14th meetings have been attended except one
 " Small meeting which was omitted a few times in consequence
 " of a part of the members being absent. Those on first-
 " days by most of our members in a situation to attend
 " Meetings on the middle of the week and for discipline
 " much neglected as some. Most friends are careful
 " to observe the house. Friends are preserved from
 " sleeping and other unbecoming behaviour except
 " a few instances and some care taken

2^d We believe a good degree of Love and Unity is
 " maintained among us. Yet they are much wanting
 " with some. Care has been taken to discourage
 " distraction, which we think is guarded against
 " by most friends. Generally careful as to
 " differences

3^d We think most friends are careful to bring
 " up those under their direction according to
 " this query and are concerned to be exemplary
 " themselves though we are sensible that more
 " extensive care with parents is wanting in some
 " instances. The Holy Scriptures we think are
 " read frequently in most friends families

4th The friends are clear in the several partic-
 " ulars of this query, except a few instances
 " of taking Spirituous liquors otherwise than for
 " medicine and some care taken

5th Careful in these respects as far as appears
 " except in one instance

6th Generally careful. One case of marrying out which
 " is under notice

7th We believe friends are generally ^{common} without particulars

8th Careful in the several particulars of this query.
 " except in a few instances and some care taken

9th Most careful as to recording. Clear as to
 " certificates except in a few instances and
 " some care taken

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Answer 10th Some care has been taken to deal with
" " offenders although we are sensible that more
" " timely and extensive care is needed. We know
" " of no cause of complaint in regard to pla-
" " cing judgment

Our business being accomplished at this time
we conclude purposing to meet again at the usual
time in the 8th mo. next at North Berwick,

Jonathan Dams Clerk for
the day

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At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at North Berwick 8th Mo. 26th 1847. By accounts
received from our several monthly meetings, the
representations are: for Dover Walter Lawrence,
Joseph Galtie Benjamin & John James Canney
and Samuel Dennis. for Berwick William Jefferson
Peter McKeal and James Whalley for Candrick
Joseph Varney Elijah Peaslee and Benjamin
Frye. Who are all present. Being again assembled
and the same cause again arising for an adjourn-
ment that has heretofore arisen at the two
previous sittings of this meeting held at this
place, we are united in adjourning; accordingly this
meeting stands adjourned to meet again at this place
at four O'clock this afternoon.

Afternoon met agreeable to adjournment. The
representations being called are all present. The time
having expired for which the Clerks were appointed
the representatives propose Stephen Beebe for
Clerk, and Emily Thompson for an Assistant Clerk,
they are accordingly appointed to that service the
ensuing year.

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We have read the Queries with answers from our several monthly meetings to the first, second and tenth queries. The Representatives to the Yearly Meeting inform that they all attended. The Committee appointed in the fourth month 1846 inform that they have paid some attention to the duties assigned them but are not ready to make a full report: they are still continuing. By an Extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting it appears that that meeting concluded to raise the sum of two thousand dollars as Stock. This meeting's proportion of which being one hundred and sixty dollars which is directed to be apportioned to our monthly meetings as usual. Our beloved Friend Lindley Murray Esq. a minister in unity with us opened in this meeting a prospect of attending the ensuing Yearly Meetings of Ohio and Indiana and of visiting friends and others in some places as expressed in the Certificate granted him by Sandwich monthly meeting. After a time of deliberate consideration his prospect was united with, and he left at liberty to pursue the same as Truth may open the way. And the work is directed to endorse the substance of this minute on the Certificate granted him in Sandwich monthly meeting and sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved Friend Benjamin Fry a minister in unity with us opened in this meeting a prospect of performing a religious visit to friends and others in some places within the limits of Philadelphia and New York Yearly Meetings as expressed in the Certificate granted him by Sandwich monthly meeting. Which after a time of consideration was united with, and he left at

Liberty to pursue his prospect as Truth may open the way. And the Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of this minute on the Certificate granted him by Sandwich monthly meeting and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friends in attendance with us with Certificates of concurrence from their respective meetings viz Daniel Williams from West Grove Monthly Meeting held at Fairfield in Wayne County Indiana 2nd mo 13th 1841^{ce} Endorsed by Whitewater Quarterly Meeting held at Chellford 3rd mo 6th 1841^{ce}.

Isaiah R Gifford from Dartmouth monthly meeting of 7th mo 28th 1841^{ce}.

Charles Huntington Jr from Seabrook monthly meeting of 8th mo 5th 1841^{ce} (Whose company and Gospel labours have been satisfactory and edifying to us. Also our beloved friend John Magwell in company with Daniel Williams attended this meeting with a minute of Concurrence from West Grove monthly meeting held in Wayne County Indiana 1st mo 10th 1841^{ce} Whose company and solid deportment have been satisfactory to us. And the Clerk is directed to furnish any aforesaid friends with the substance of the above minutes taken in their favours respectively, and sign the same on behalf of this meeting.

Eighth Month 1841

Our beloved friend Benjamin H. Jones
returned the Certificate granted him in the fourth
month last with the following returns minute
" The company and religious services of our friend
" Benjamin H. Jones have been very acceptable to us
" at this our Yearly Meeting of Friends held in
" New York.

" Signed on behalf and by direction of the
" Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
" on the 22^d 26th and 28th of the 5th month 1841,

(Signed) Thomas Willis Clark

Our beloved friend Abigail M. Hanson
returned the Certificate granted her in the
fourth month last with the following minute of
return viz.

" The Company and religious services of our
" friend Abigail M. Hanson have been truly
" acceptable to us at this our Yearly Meeting
" of Friends held in New York.

" Signed on behalf and by direction of the
" Yearly Meeting of Ministers and Elders held
" on the 22^d 26th and 28th of the 5th month
" 1841,

(Signed) Thomas Willis Clark

Received the following minute of our last Yearly
Meeting on the subject of marriage copies of which
are directed to be transmitted to our several monthly
meetings with the request that it be inserted in our
books of Discipline Also received the following
Extracts together with the report of the Boarding
School Committee - copies of which are directed
to be forwarded to the monthly meetings, and
their reading is deferred till next meetings,

under their care (members of our religious society) contrary to the good order established amongst us, if after Christian and brotherly labor with them, they cannot be brought to a due sense of their error, and a satisfactory acknowledgment of the same.

We also recommend the good order of friends relating to marriage, that it be carefully preserved and duly maintained in the first and earliest proceedings leading thereunto, as well as the orderly solemnization thereof; and if any persons, contrary to the repeated advice and established order of friends, shall, under any pretence whatsoever, presume to take one another in any meeting for worship, without the consent of the monthly-meeting to which they belong, such proceeding being of a clandestine nature, tending to make void the just care of friends in that case, we advise that the monthly-meeting do not fail to testify against the practice, as well as against the persons concerned therein.

1730.

[The second paragraph on 123d page to read as follows:]

Advised, that persons who make or encourage proposals of marriage with each other, do early obtain the consent of their parents or guardians, and that none keep company with those who are not of our society, on that account. That no parents or guardians encourage their children thus keeping company or marrying, and that friends be careful to maintain our testimony faithfully against all disorderly marriages.

And the said A. B. and S. T. as a further confirmation thereof, have hereunto set their hands: She, after the custom of marriage, adopting the name of her husband.

A. B.
S. B.

And we, whose names are hereunto subscribed, being present at the solemnization of their said marriage, have set our hands as witnesses thereunto, the day and year above written.

Agreed that it be recommended, that according to the ancient practice among friends, they take care that such men and women friends as do make suit or concern themselves in proposals of marriage, one to the other, do not dwell in the same house, from the time they begin to be concerned, until their marriage.

This meeting having deliberately considered the great exercise brought upon our society, by divers in profession with us, who are joined in marriage contrary to our known principles, and the whole-some discipline established among us, with persons either of our own or other persuasions, do earnestly advise, that all friends use their utmost endeavors to prevent such marriages, whencesoever the parties' inclinations may come to their knowledge.

And it is the sense and judgment of this meeting, that where any do marry, contrary to the established rules of the society, they should be dealt with in a spirit of Christian love and tenderness, agreeable to our known discipline.

Monthly-meetings are authorized, if the case require it, to disown such parents or guardians, as encourage the marriages of their children and those

our general practice, to shorten the time of their receiving their answer, by adjourning a monthly-meeting; having especial care, that the time for inspecting the clearness of the parties, be not less than two weeks from their making their proposals, and receiving the meeting's answer.

FORM OF A MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE,

[As near as circumstances will admit.]

Whereas, A. B. of _____, son of D. and E. B. of _____, in the county of _____, and state of _____, and S. T. daughter of M. and M. T. of _____, in the county of _____, have declared their intentions of taking each other in marriage, to _____ monthly-meeting of the Society of Friends, held in _____, according to the good order used among them; and their proceedings, after due inquiry and deliberate consideration thereof, being allowed by the said meeting; they appearing clear of all others, and having consent of parents (or guardians) _____ concerned. Now these are to certify to all whom it may concern, that for the full accomplishing of their said intentions, this _____ day of the _____ month, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and _____, they, the said A. B. and S. T. appeared at a religious meeting of the aforesaid society in _____; and he the said A. B. taking the said S. T. by the hand, did openly declare as followeth: "In the presence of this assembly I take this my friend S. T. to be my wife, promising through Divine assistance to be unto her a faithful and affectionate husband, until death shall separate us." And the said S. T. did then and there declare in like manner as followeth: "In the presence of this assembly I take this my friend A. B. to be my husband, promising through Divine assistance to be unto him a faithful and affectionate wife, until death shall separate us." Or words of the like import.

the rights of her children are legally secured. At the next meeting, if the committees report that careful inquiry has been made, and that they have consent of parents, where it has not been before manifested, and the parties appear clear to proceed in marriage with each other, the meeting is to leave them at liberty to accomplish their marriage according to our rules, and appoint two friends of each sex, to attend and see that good order is observed, that a certificate be prepared and after being signed, by the parties at their marriage, be audibly read, and that a sufficient number of witnesses be thereto subscribed. It is further advised, that the said marriage be accomplished decently, gravely, and weightily; and that the parties themselves, their parents and others concerned, do take care at the houses or places where they go after the meeting is over, that all behave with becoming sobriety; and the said overseers are to make report to the next monthly-meeting, and take care that the marriage certificate be recorded.

It is advised to solemnize our marriages at the usual week-day meeting, to which the woman be-longs, or at the close of a monthly-meeting in a public meeting of men and women friends, unless circumstances may induce the monthly-meeting to permit it otherwise; it being understood that the parties are to be present at the monthly-meeting when permission is granted them to consummate their marriage, if it be their intention to accomplish it at the close of said meeting.

Monthly-meetings are at liberty, when they think any peculiarity of circumstances, of either of the parties proposing marriage, warrant a deviation from

maintained amongst us, in relation to marriage, ever since we were a people, having obtained a good report, it is become afresh the concern of this meeting, that the reputation of our religious society, and the cause of truth herein, may still be kept up; and that not only the several weighty advices of this meeting, in respect to the proceedings of the parties concerned, and the conduct of their parents and guardians, may be observed, but likewise that as little diversity as may be, may appear amongst us, in regard to the form and manner of solemnization. For the accomplishment of marriage, it is advised, that the parties should inform the men's and women's monthly-meeting to which the woman belongs, of their intentions, through the Preparative meeting, when convenient. And at a proper time they should make it known in both meetings, either by a written communication signed by both parties, or by verbal declaration, that "With Divine permission and friends' approbation, they intend marriage with each other;" whereupon two friends in each meeting, (if both the parties belong to the same meeting,) should be appointed by minute, to make the necessary inquiries respecting the clearness to proceed in marriage, of the party or parties who shall be members of said monthly-meeting. If the parties have parents or guardians present, their consent should be expressed; or if the man is a member of another monthly-meeting, the consent of his parents or guardians, if he have any, should be produced in writing, with a certificate from his monthly-meeting, of his clearness, either then or at the next meeting. If the woman be a widow, having children, two or more friends should be appointed, to see that

marriage, before they give any encouragement

thereunto.

It is agreed, that no monthly meeting permit any marriages to be proposed in the said meeting, sooner than one year after the decease of former husband or wife; and we think it most advisable, that no such proposals be made between the parties, within that time.

It is our sense and judgment, that not only those marriages of near kindred, expressly forbidden under the law, ought not to be practiced under the gospel; but that we in our day, ought not to take first cousins in marriage, being called to that spiritual dispensation which gives dominion over the affections, and leads to those marriages which are more natural, and of better report. And if any, notwithstanding, shall marry contrary to this rule, being previously cautioned and advised against it, that the monthly-meeting where such belong, give forth a testimony against them, and not receive such into unity again, until they are well assured that they have found a place of repentance, and are received in the truth.

The subject of marrying in the kindred by affinity, having been brought under the view of this meeting, received its solid and deliberate consideration; and it is concluded that the construction of our yearly-meeting, as particularly defined in the year 1773, [namely, that our members be not allowed to marry a deceased wife's sister, or a deceased husband's brother,] shall hereafter be considered as the construction to be given to our present Discipline. 1830.

The prudent and christian care that has been

sent; thus preservation from the dangerous bias of forward, brittle and uncertain affections, would be experienced, to the real benefit of the parties, and the comfort of their friends.

And it is earnestly recommended to friends, that they tenderly and carefully watch over the youth, and extend seasonable caution and admonition, as occasion may require.

The breaches of our testimony in going from amongst us, in the weighty engagement of marriage, being often for want of due care in parents, and those who have the important charge of educating the youth under their trust, early to admonish and instruct them in the principles of truth, and impress their minds with the duty of religiously observing them; as much as possible restraining them from such company as is likely to entangle their affections in an improper manner; we therefore tenderly advise friends, to an increasing care over the youth, that the consistency of our principles in all respects with the nature of true religion, may be impressed upon their tender minds, by upright examples, as well as by precepts; and that where there is apparent danger of the affections of any being improperly entangled, and the care of parents and guardians, or those who have the oversight, appears not sufficient to prevent their taking imprudent steps in the accomplishment of marriage, care be taken, timely to apply for the help of their friends.

And it is further advised, that after parents and guardians have suffered their children to engage one another in affections, they do not break off upon any worldly account, but that they wait upon and seek the Lord for their children, in proposals of

[At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-Eng-

land, held on Rhode-Island in the Sixth month, 1847, the following is adopted as our Discipline on the subject of Marriage, which the Clerk is directed to transmit to our subordinate meetings, with the request that it be inserted in the printed book of Discipline.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*]

It is advised, that parents exercise a religious care in watching over their children, and endeavor to guard them against improper or unequal connections in marriage; that they be not anxious to obtain for them large portions and settlements, but that they be joined with persons of religious inclinations, suitable dispositions, and diligence in their business, which are necessary to a comfortable life in a married state.

And it is particularly recommended to all parents, to endeavor to cultivate such habits of confidence and freedom in the truth, with their children, as may render it easy for them early to consult their parents in such important concerns.

It is advised, that all young and unmarried persons in membership with us, previously to their making any procedure in order to marriage, do seriously and humbly wait upon the Lord for his counsel and direction in this important concern, and when favored with satisfactory clearness therein, they should early acquaint their parents or guardians with their intentions, and wait for their con-

MARRIAGE.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England, held on Rhode-Island, in the sixth month, 1847,—The Clerk was directed to forward the following Extracts from our Minutes to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, viz :—

The Committee to superintend our Boarding School at Providence, presented the following report, which was approved by this Meeting and directed to be forwarded to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings, viz :

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee appointed to have the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, report, that they have during the past year given attention to their appointment, and are encouraged to believe, that the Institution continues to be useful.

The average number of scholars has been eighty-five, viz : forty-two males and forty-three females.

Our friends Olney and Lydia Thompson, have acceptably served as Superintendents during the year ending with the last winter term ; and Charles Atherton, Samuel Austin and Edward G. Hoag, have been engaged as teachers in the boys' school, and Mary Atherton and Gertrude E. Whittier as teachers in that of the girls for the same time. Elizabeth Prosser has also been an assistant teacher in the girls' school during the winter term.

The Superintendents having expressed their desire to be released at the end of the last winter term, and the Committee believing that usefulness would arise from an arrangement which would unite with the general care and oversight of the Institution as Superintendents, that of taking the general government and direction of the schools, and imparting literary instruction therein, to such extent as may be consistent with the other duties of Superintendents, we have engaged our friends Silas Cornell and Sarah M. Cornell of Rochester, New York, to come into the Institution in that capacity, and assume those duties.

Charles Atherton, Edward G. Hoag, and Richard Dame, are engaged as assistant teachers in the boys' school, (the latter giving instruction in the languages,) and Gertrude E. Whittier and Sarah Alice Cornell, as assistant teachers in the girls' school, for a part or the whole of the present year.

As our friends Silas and Sarah M. Cornell could not consistently with their previous engagements, commence their connection with the Institution until the present time, the former Superintendents kindly consented to remain, temporarily, after their previous engagement expired—and the former arrangements in the schools have mostly been continued since the commencement of the present term.

The change of Superintendents and the arrangements with respect to the principal charge of the school is now about to take place ; and the friends who have for several years occupied the station of Superintendents being about to leave, seems a fitting occasion to express for their encouragement, the satisfaction of the Committee with their labors.

These labors were increased during the latter part of the last year, by more than usual indisposition among the scholars.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held in the House, except during the vacations, and harmony has prevailed. On the days of Providence Preparative Meeting, the meetings at the school have been omitted, in accordance with the consent of the Yearly Meeting last year.

Examinations of the schools by the Committee, at the close of each term, have been made, as has been heretofore practised, and the deportment and proficiency of the scholars have been generally satisfactory, evincing a good degree of aptitude and diligence on the part of the pupils, and faithfulness on the part of the teachers.

The accounts of the Treasurer and Superintendent have been examined and settled. By these accounts it appears, that the income of the school for the year ending with the last winter term, has been \$10,836 07, and the expenditures \$12,136 54 ; the expenditures having exceeded the receipts by the sum of \$1300 47. Seven hundred dollars of this excess, arises from the payment within the year of a demand against the Institution of several years standing.

The amount of expenditures exceeding the income, has been supplied from the balance on hand at the commencement of the year ; and being deducted therefrom, leaves a balance on hand at the close of the last term, of \$1858 05.

We would propose that the price of board and tuition be continued the same as last year, viz : Thirty dollars per term for members of our Yearly Meeting, forty-five dollars for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for those of other Yearly Meetings, payable in advance—books and stationery being furnished as at present.

We would also propose, that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar free of expense for one term, the same to be occupied, either at the next winter or succeeding summer term, at the discretion of the Monthly Meeting—the several Monthly Meetings to notify the Committee at their meeting in the 10th month, of their conclusion, in case they propose to occupy the privilege in the summer term.

The Committee feel it right to express their belief, that there are advantages to be derived to the youth of our society at the school, which should serve as an encouragement to Friends to place their children there, that they may acquire a guarded religious education, free from many of the temptations to which they are necessarily exposed in more mixed schools, especially those over which Friends have little or no control.

And we would earnestly press upon Friends the importance to the society of a continued individual interest in the welfare of the Institution, in whose endowment and management such lively concern has been manifested by valuable Friends who are now gathered to their rest.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Committee,
STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk.

Providence, 6th month 1st, 1847.

Third day morning, the 15th. Friends convened pursuant to adjournment. The representatives being called, were all present.

The Meeting entered upon the investigation of the state of society by reading the Queries and Answers to them received at this time from our several Quarterly Meetings, and proceeded therein as far as the 4th inclusive. During this important engagement we were sensibly solemnized in feeling together, and under the baptizing influence of Divine love, much pertinent counsel and advice were given by concerned brethren.

We were impressively reminded of the paramount duty of meeting together for the worship of our Father in heaven, not only on first day of the week, but on other days when a greater sacrifice may seem to be required. We were admonished to remember the source from whence proceed all our blessings ; that it is from God alone that we derive all that we are permitted to enjoy, whether spiritual or temporal ; that it is in Him we live, and move, and have our being. We were exhorted to hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering, being concerned to provoke one another to love and good works, and not neglect the assembling of ourselves together. Much sympathy was manifested for Friends in lonely situations, where their meetings are very small ; but they were earnestly exhorted to faithfulness in the attendance of them—that although they may be frequently held in silence, yet, as we are engaged to wait upon the Lord, they often prove seasons of refreshment. Concerned Friends were encouraged to labor faithfully with those who may be remiss in the discharge of this and other Christian duties, although it may be under a sense of much weakness ; that, while they may feel their own unworthiness, they fail not to do what is required at their hands by the Head of the Church, by sinking below the gifts he has conferred upon them. Friends were encouraged to leave their worldly occupations, to close their places of business if needful, in order for the due attendance of our week-day meetings, under an awful sense that He, unto whom worship is due, may even curse our blessings. We were very impressively exhorted to watch the door of our lips, that we sin not with our tongues ; that, under a sense of our own frailties, we cultivate charity towards others, and scrupulously avoid indulging in a spirit of detraction, which tends to our own poverty and the injury of our fellow men. We were reminded that, as God is love, and as his love has been so abundantly manifested to us, in that He gave his well beloved Son for us, that it is indeed incumbent upon us to love one another,

and to do good one unto another; and that they who have known this love shed abroad in their hearts, cannot fail to feel it flow unto others, producing a spirit of forgiveness towards those who have trespassed against us, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven us. The injunction of our Lord, of universal application, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them," was very feelingly held up to view as the rule that should at all times govern us in our intercourse with our fellow men. The right training of our children was pertinently dwelt upon, and its necessity enforced as essential to their good, and to the discharge of the responsibility resting upon parents towards those whom our Heavenly Father has entrusted to our care. We were reminded that, by indulging in a mistaken tenderness, we were inflicting a serious injury upon our offspring; but that as we were engaged to exercise parental authority in love, it would prove a discipline to our children, by which they might be incited more carefully to heed the requirements of their Heavenly Parent; and habits of obedience be established which would be preserving in their future course of life. Finally, both parents and children were affectionately entreated to observe their respective relative duties, that thus they might witness the dew of Heaven to rest upon them.

Adjourned to the fourth hour this afternoon.

Afternoon. Friends again assembled.

The Meeting proceeded in the consideration of the state of Society, by reading the remaining answers to the queries. While thus engaged, we thankfully acknowledge that a precious, solemn covering was felt to be mercifully extended over us. A living concern was manifested for the preservation of our members from the reading of pernicious books, which are at this day so abundant in the world; and for their encouragement in the frequent, reverent perusal of the Holy Scriptures, in accordance with the continued concern of this Society since its first rise, and which was so eminently exhibited, practically, by our forefathers in the truth. We were affectionately reminded that they who are most carefully engaged to follow the direct and immediate leadings of the Spirit of Truth, most highly reverence and value these sacred writings, which were given forth by the same Spirit, and which have been so marvellously preserved, pure and un mutilated, to the present day, and which are able to make wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. Parents were affectionately encouraged often to assemble their families for the purpose of reading a portion of the Holy Scriptures, and in silent introversion of mind, and with prayerful hearts meditating thereon, that their precious contents may be opened to our understandings and blessed to us. We were entreated not to be taken in that snare of the enemy which is laid for us, by inducing us to neglect this practice from fear of being found in a lifeless formality in its maintenance; but that while we should guard, with godly jealousy, against this error on the one hand, we were impressively reminded that we might err on the other hand, and neglect the observance of those necessary practices which are essential to our Christian advancement, and which are in the ordering of Him who knows our necessities, and who has so abundantly provided for them.

A proposition contained in the report of Fairfield Quarterly Meeting, relative to the expenses incurred by the Yearly Meeting, being brought into consideration, the subject is referred to the representatives from the several Quarterly Meetings, who are requested to report to a future sitting.

At a subsequent sitting, the representatives made the following report, which was satisfactory to the Meeting, viz:

The representatives to whom was referred the proposition from Fairfield Quarterly Meeting in relation to the expenses of the Yearly Meeting, have conferred together thereon, and have come to the conclusion to propose to the Yearly Meeting the adoption of the following minute—the provisions of which

are the same as those of the minute made by the Meeting for Sufferings in the year 1830—and with only a slight alteration in the language to render its meaning more explicit, viz:—Such Friends as are of ability, who attend the Yearly Meeting, should bear their own expenses—but those who may not consider themselves able to do so, who reside north of a line from Boston, running west to the Connecticut River, be at liberty to avail themselves of such provision as may be made by this Meeting; and that Friends of the island of Nantucket, and the representatives from all the Quarterly Meetings, shall be included in the provision made for those north of the line above mentioned in the same circumstances.

On behalf of the Representatives,

STEPHEN A. CHASE.

Sixth month 16th, 1847.

Among the exercises which have been with us during our deliberations at this time, has been a concern for the consistent and upright maintenance by all our members of our testimony to the unchristian nature of all wars and fightings—a testimony in accordance with the belief and practice of the primitive followers of Christ. We are liable at this time to some peculiar temptations on this account. Our country is involved in war with a neighboring nation, and armies are contending in the field; and the testimony of the Scripture, that "every battle of the warrior is with confused noise and garments rolled in blood," is brought home to us by frequent intelligence from the scene of strife. We earnestly desire that all our dear friends may be mercifully preserved in a Christian frame of mind under these trying circumstances.

To the humble follower of Him whose kingdom is not of this world, but who, as a stranger and pilgrim here, is journeying towards another country, that is, a heavenly—how do the destruction and horrors of the field of battle, or the city made desolate by an encompassing foe, the tears of the widow and the cries of the orphan, fill his mind with sorrow! He can have no sentiment allied to rejoicing at scenes like these. His soul must be clothed with mourning and his spirit with lamentation, and his prayers will be, that that day may be hastened when the nations shall learn war no more.

Our dear friends are affectionately entreated to be careful how they expose themselves unnecessarily to temptations calculated to lead the mind from a right frame of thought on these subjects; or by mingling with those who take delight in such strife, become in any measure leavened into their spirit; that in all our intercourse with the world, we may manifest ourselves to be followers of Him whose advent was announced by the song of the heavenly host, of peace on earth and good will to men.

In contemplating the present war in which our country is engaged, its exceeding wickedness has been forcibly presented to us, not only in its direct consequences as a war, but in the principal object, which, as we believe, produced it, namely, the perpetuation and extension of slavery. We have been concerned that our members may keep ever before them the miseries and sinfulness inseparable from the practice of holding our fellow-men in bondage, and its utter inconsistency with the command of Christ, "Whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them"; and that we fail not, faithfully, in the fear of the Lord, to bear our testimony against it, not feeling excused therefrom in consequence of its practical enactment not coming immediately before our view in this part of our land.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY,

Clerk to the Meeting this year.

NOTE.—Benajah Buffum is appointed correspondent for Burwick Monthly Meeting, in place of John D. Lang, removed from within the limits of that Meeting.

Eight Month 1831

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Our business being accomplished at this
time we conclude proposing to meet again
at Sandwich at the usual time in the
10th month next

Stephen Beed Clark

Sept. 11th 1844

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
Sandwich 10mo. 28. 1844
By accounts received from our several monthly meetings
the represent. are: for Dover Thomas Roberts John Alstead
Timothy Hanson and Olney Thompson. for "Berwick"
Benajah Dutton, Sarah Dye and William Tappan
for Sandwich Joseph Cusney Joshua Weeks and
Jonathan Wilkins. We are all present. We have read
the Queries and answers received from our several monthly
meetings. The Committee appointed by this meeting in the
4mo. 1844 made the following report:

"Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be held at Sandwich
the 28th Instant. The Committee appointed in the 4th month
1844 report: That way has not open for extensive service
yet some labour has been bestowed, exclusive to a degree
of satisfaction. We suggest for the consideration of the
Quarterly Meeting whether it may not be necessary to appoint
a similar Committee.

"Sandwich 10th mo. 27th 1844

(Signed) Joseph Tuttle
Oliver W. Hanson

For the
Committee

Which is satisfactory, and in accordance with we appoint
Olney Thompson Benjamin Dye Timothy Hanson William
Dye Joseph Tuttle Benajah Dutton Stephen Beede and
John Alstead to join a committee of Friends Friends to visit
subordinate meetings, families and individuals as way may open
for and render such advice and assistance as may seem
best. Extracts from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting
received in the 5th month last have been read at this time.
Benjamin Dye returned the Certificate granted him in
the 8th month last with the following returning minute
and informed friends that he had been enabled to perform
all his prospect very much to the peace and satisfaction
of his mind.

"Our beloved friend (Benj. Dye, attending)
this meeting with a Certificate from Sandwich monthly meeting
of Friends in the State of New Hampshire held 5th mo.
19th 1844 and endorsed by Dover Quarterly Meeting

2nd Month 1847

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" Friends met at North Berwick 5th mo. 26th 1847. These
" company has been acceptable and his Gospel labours edifying
" to us

" Signed by direction and on behalf of Marlborough
" Monthly meeting of Friends held at "The Galley" 9th mo.
" 23^d 1847,

Signed { Wm. J. Cornell Clerk
& Thomas D. Thorne Correspondent

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time
" we conclude proposing to meet again at Rochester at
the usual time in the 1st month next

Stephen T. Beede Clerk

1st Month 1848

(40th Quorum Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester
1st mo. 2^d 1848. By accounts received from our sev-
eral monthly meetings the representatives are for Co. 1
James Carney, Samuel Dennis, Timothy Hanson and
Benjamin H. Jones; for Berwick, Benajah Buffum,
William Hussy and Joseph Brackett; for Sandwich
Ezra Gould, Oliver Hill, and Daniel Fry, who are
all present. We have read the queries and answers
received from our several monthly meetings.

Our beloved friend Lindley Murray Hoag returned the
certificate granted him in the 8th month last with the
following minutes of return viz -

" Our beloved friend Lindley Murray Hoag, a minister
" attended this meeting and produced a certificate of
" unity and concurrence from Sandwich Monthly
" Meeting of Friends, State of New Hampshire held
" 8 mo. 19. 1847. Endorsed by Quorum Quarterly
" meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 5th mo. 26th
" 1847. His company and services in the ministry have
" been acceptable. Extracted from the minutes of Indiana Yearly
" Meeting of Friends held at White Water in Wayne County Indiana
by adjournments from the 30. of 9th to 5. of 10 mo. inclusive 1847.

(Signed)

Edw. Coffin } Clerk
Har. J. Small }

First month 1845

" Our beloved friend Lindley M^o Hoag attended this
 " meeting - His company and religious services have been
 " acceptable to us

Signed by direction and of a specially
 " Meeting of Friends held in Baltimore for the Western
 " Shore of Maryland &c by adjournment from the 18th
 " to the 21st of the 11. mo. inclusive 1844

" By Hugh Balderson } Clerk
 " Hannah Talbott }

Received 300 Copies of the London General Epistle for
 for 1844 One of which has been read at this at this time
 to our satisfaction and encouragement. They are directed
 to be distributed to our monthly meetings by their
 representatives

Our beloved friends in attendance with us with
 Certificates of Concurrence from their respective Meetings viz
 John Warren from Unity monthly meeting of 11. mo. 18. 1844
 John Hadden from Providence monthly meeting of 12. mo. 29. 1844
 John D Long from Yassalborough monthly Meeting of 11. mo. 1st. 1844
 Whose company and Gospel labours have been satisfactory to us
 Also our beloved friend Jacob M^o Vining attended this
 Meeting and several of the meetings constituting this, with
 a Certificate of Concurrence from Devonsey monthly Meeting
 of 12. mo. 2^d. 1844. Whose company and Gospel labours
 have been satisfactory to us. Also our beloved friend
 Deborah B Warren attended this meeting with a minute
 of Concurrence from Unity monthly meeting of 12. mo. 16. 1844 as
 companion to her husband Whose company has been
 acceptable to us. Likewise our beloved friend Edmund
 Chase companion to Jacob M^o Vining attended this meeting with a
 minute of Concurrence from Devonsey monthly meeting of 12. mo. 29. 1844
 Whose company has been acceptable to us. And the Clerk is directed
 to furnish our aforesaid friends with 8¢ travel from the above minutes
 taken in their favour respectively

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time
 we conclude forgoing to meet again at our usual
 time in the 4. mo. next

Stephen Beede Clerk

Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Dover
4th mo 24th 1848

By accounts received from our several
Monthly Meetings the representatives to this meeting are,
for Dover Samuel Dennis the two sons and John
Henderson for 1 Berwick, 1 Benja^l 1 Suffern Stephen Hinkley
and William Jepson, for Sandwich Simon Varney, Joshua
Hoag and 1 Benjamin Fay. who are present.

The Clerk and Assistant Clerk being absent, the represent-
atives having conferred together proposed 1 Benjamin H.
Jones for Clerk and John Henderson for Assistant Clerk
at this time. which was united with.

Having read the Queries and answers received from
our Monthly Meetings and prepared summary answers
for the Yearly Meeting. local agent 1 Benjamin Fay.
Lucas W. Purinton, Walter Sawyer, 1 Benjamin H.
Jones, Samuel Dennis and William Jepson representa-
tives there to. The time for which the Treasurer
of this meeting was appointed having expired Walter
Sawyer is appointed Treasurer for the ensuing year
and is requested to pay our proportion of Quarterly Meetings
stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

This Meeting is united in proposing to our next Yearly
Meeting to change the time of holding our Quarterly Meeting
in the eighth month or fourth Berwick from the fifth day
of the week to the eighth day of the same week at the usual
house and likewise that the time of holding the
select Quarterly Meeting previous be changed
from the fourth to the fifth day of the week at four
o'clock, in the afternoon, the women's meeting uniting
therewith. The Clerk is directed to make the necessary
extracts from the minutes and records of this meeting
and forward them to the ensuing Yearly Meeting.

Adjourned to the 21st day of the 6th month
next to meet at the close of Dover Monthly Meeting
in this place.

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June 21. 1848. Met pursuant to adjournment.
 The representatives being called were present except three.
 The following extract from the minutes of our last Yearly
 Meeting being received at this time Viz.
 "A proposition contained in the account from our
 "Quarterly Meeting in relation to the time of holding
 "that meeting in the eighth month was initiated
 "with by this meeting, and it is concluded that
 "our Quarterly Meeting in the 8th month be
 "held at North Berwick, on sixth instead of fifth
 "day of the week in which it is now held, at the
 "usual hour. And that the Select Quarterly
 "Meeting be held on fifth instead of fourth day of
 "the same week, at 4 O'Clock in the afternoon
 "and the clerk is directed to furnish said
 "Meeting with a copy of this minute.
 "From the minutes of New England Yearly Meeting
 "held on Rhode Island in the sixth month 1848,
 "Samuel Boyd Rocky Clerk,
 "Hannah Gould Sew Clerk,
 "The Clerk is directed to transmit a copy there-
 "of to our several monthly meetings.

Having accomplished our business we conclude
 purposing to meet at North Berwick, at the appoin-
 ted time in the eighth month next.

Benjamin H Jones Clerk for the day

St. Anne's Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Court
Berwick, 8th mo. 25th 1848.

By accounts received from our
several Monthly meetings the representations to this meeting
are for Oliver Clegg Thompson William Page Joseph
Tuttle and Benjamin H. Jones. For Berwick James
Hassay for Amasa Farney and William Simpson
for Sandwick Ezra Meader. Isaac Farney and
Benjamin Fay. who are present. The time having
expired for which the Clerks were appointed Benjamin
H. Jones is appointed Clerk and Clegg Thompson
assistant Clerk for the day.

Our beloved friend Thomas Wells is in attendance
of this meeting with a Certificate of Concurrence from
Miami Monthly Meeting State of Ohio held 7th mo.
25th 1848. Endorsed by Miami Quarterly Meeting
held 8th mo. 14th 1848. His company and Gospel
labors have been acceptable to us. Likewise our beloved
friend Elizabeth Meader with a Certificate of
Concurrence from Providence Monthly Meeting
held 7th mo. 25th 1848. Whose company and
Gospel labours have been acceptable to us.
In company with Elizabeth Meader are our
beloved friends Peres Peck and Joannas Peck,
with satisfactory minutes of Unity from Greenwich
Monthly Meeting held at Coventry 1st mo. 31st 1848.
Whose company is acceptable to us.
The Clerk is directed to furnish the above named
friends with copies of the minutes taken in their
behalf respectively and sign them in behalf of this
meeting. The representatives to our last Yearly Meeting
from this Quarterly Meeting inform that they all
attended except one friend who informed the meeting
that there were two sittings of the Yearly Meeting
which he did not attend. assigning an acceptable
reason therefor.

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The Queries with the required answers from
at our Monthly Meetings have been read at this
time. By the following extract from the minutes
of our last Yearly Meeting, it appears that our
proportion of money directed to be raised by
that is one hundred and sixty dollars, which
our this meeting directs to be apportioned
as last year to our several Monthly meetings.
"At our Yearly Meeting of Friday, 1st
"New-England held in the sixth month
"1848, it was concluded to raise two
"thousand Dollars for the use of this meeting
"for the ensuing year - And our Quarterly
"meetings were requested to pay their respec-
"tive proportions of this sum to our Treasurers
"Each Quarterly Meeting's proportion is
"one hundred and sixty Dollars (8 per cent.)

"From the minutes of the Yearly Meeting,

"Samuel Bowd & Co. Clerks

Received at this time the following Extract
from the minutes of the Yearly Meeting containing
the report of the Boarding School Committee
which has been read at this time.

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode-Island in the Sixth month, 1848.

The Committee having charge of our Boarding School, presented the following Report, which was interesting and satisfactory to this Meeting, and the Clerk was directed to forward copies thereof to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

From the Minutes of said Meeting.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

"To the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England.

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence, have, during the past year, attended to the duties of their appointment.

The School has been continued through the year (with the usual vacations) under the charge of Silas and Sarah M. Cornell, as Superintendents and principal Teachers.

During the Summer Term, we had the services of Charles Atherton and Edward G. Hoag as assistant Teachers in the male department of the school, and Lafayette Burr, a young man connected with Brown University, has, through the year, given lessons in the Latin and Greek languages for five days in the week, to a class in this school. Richard Dame has also assisted in teaching the languages during part of the time. In the Girls' School, Gertrude E. Whittier and Sarah Alice Cornell served as Teachers.

During the Winter Term, in the Boys' School, the same teachers remained, and the school being large, Lindley M. Moore was engaged as assistant teacher in addition.

Martha M. Haines, Sarah Joy Brown and Sarah Alice Cornell, were assistant teachers in the Girls' School during the same Term.

In addition to the Monthly Meetings of the Committee, and intermediate visits by sub-committees regularly appointed at these meetings for that service, semi-annual examinations at the close of each term, have been attended by the Committee; that at the close of the Summer Term being also attended by a number of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on education.

Our several examinations in these various forms, have been in general satisfactory. The Friends in the immediate care of the Institution, as superintendents, teachers, or in the more subordinate stations, have evinced a careful regard for the good of the School, and a concern for the faithful performance of their duties to their interesting charge, which have been satisfactory to the Committee.

Of the scholars, both male and female, we may say, that generally their deportment has been orderly, and their attention to their studies and improvement therein commendable—and we are encouraged to believe that the school has continued to be useful, in promoting the literary advancement of the scholars—and favorable, under the Divine blessing, to the awakening and strengthening of good resolutions for a consistent course in after life.

The average number of scholars has been one hundred and one, viz.: fifty-five males, and forty-six females.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the times appointed—and the family has been preserved in much harmony.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School Fund, have been examined and audited. The expenditures of the School for the past year, ending with the last winter term, have been twelve thousand, eight hundred and seventeen dollars and forty-three cents. The income has been as follows: Interest from the School Fund, six thousand, two hundred and forty-six dollars, seventy-seven cents;—from Board and Tuition of scholars, (including \$130 87 for articles sold and \$167 20 due from scholars for the past terms,) five thousand, three hundred and thirty-eight dollars, and seventy-seven cents. Total income, eleven thousand, five hundred and eighty-five dollars, and fifty-four cents—leaving a deficiency of income to meet expenditures of twelve hundred and thirty-one dollars, eighty-nine cents.

The available balance in the hands of the Treasurer in the Fifth month last, the time of the examination, may be stated at eleven hundred and eleven dollars and forty-six cents.

Considerable amount of repairs and alterations has been made during the past year, particularly in the warming and cooking apparatus at the School House, and some improve-

ment about the grounds, the expense of which, exceeding sixteen hundred dollars, is included in the expenditures above reported.

We would propose, that the terms of Board and Tuition should be continued as last year, viz. Thirty dollars per Term for members of our Yearly Meeting; forty-five dollars for those not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for any others who may be admitted—and that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar free of expense for one term, the same to be occupied either at the next Winter or succeeding Summer Term, at the discretion of the Monthly Meeting; the several Monthly Meetings to notify the Committee at their meeting in the Tenth month of their conclusion, in case they propose to occupy the privilege in the Summer Term.

Among the subjects which have claimed the attention and concern of the Committee, has been the promotion of a conformity to our religious profession, and the requisitions of our discipline by the scholars, in plainness of dress and address. On this subject, labor and advice have been from time to time imparted in the schools. But the Committee have a strong belief of the importance of the care of parents, and of Monthly Meetings, with the children at home on these subjects. Under this belief, and in pursuance of what they believed their duty under their appointment, they issued, in the Third month last, a communication addressed to Friends in the several Monthly Meetings, on the subject of plainness of speech, behavior and apparel—a copy of which is herewith presented.

During the past year, the health of the inmates of the School has been generally good, although we have to note some sickness, particularly a prevalence of colds and sore throats in the Third month, with which eight or ten of the male scholars were more or less affected—and the removal by death of two young men, scholars in the school, during the year. The first was Thomas W. White, from Elizabeth City, Pacotank county, North Carolina, who died on the 20th of Eleventh month last, aged 21 years; and of whom it was reported, that his deportment during all the time of his being at the School was orderly and satisfactory, never having in word or deed given occasion for reproof or dissatisfaction.

The second instance of mortality was Benjamin Winslow, of Winthrop, Maine, son of Joseph Winslow. He had been affected to some extent with sore throat, which had prevailed in the School, but from which he had nearly recovered, when he was seized with disease of the bowels, of which he died on the 3d of Fourth month, after a few days illness, aged 21 years. We believe it may not be without usefulness to say in this report, that the deportment of this young man, during the time he spent in the School, was very exemplary—and after his disease assumed a character which left him little or no prospect of recovery, he was favored unto the end, with much christian composure, and several times remarked, that although he felt his unworthiness to be great, yet he trusted that by the mercy of his Heavenly Father, through our Lord and Saviour, he should find forgiveness of his sins and be accepted. Death, he said, had no terrors for him. He manifested much gratitude towards those who had the care of him in his illness, and frequently spoke of his parents, towards whom he also felt very grateful, saying he believed their watchfulness and care over him, had done much towards preparing his mind for the solemn change that awaited him.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee.

STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk.

Providence, Fifth mo. 30th, 1848."

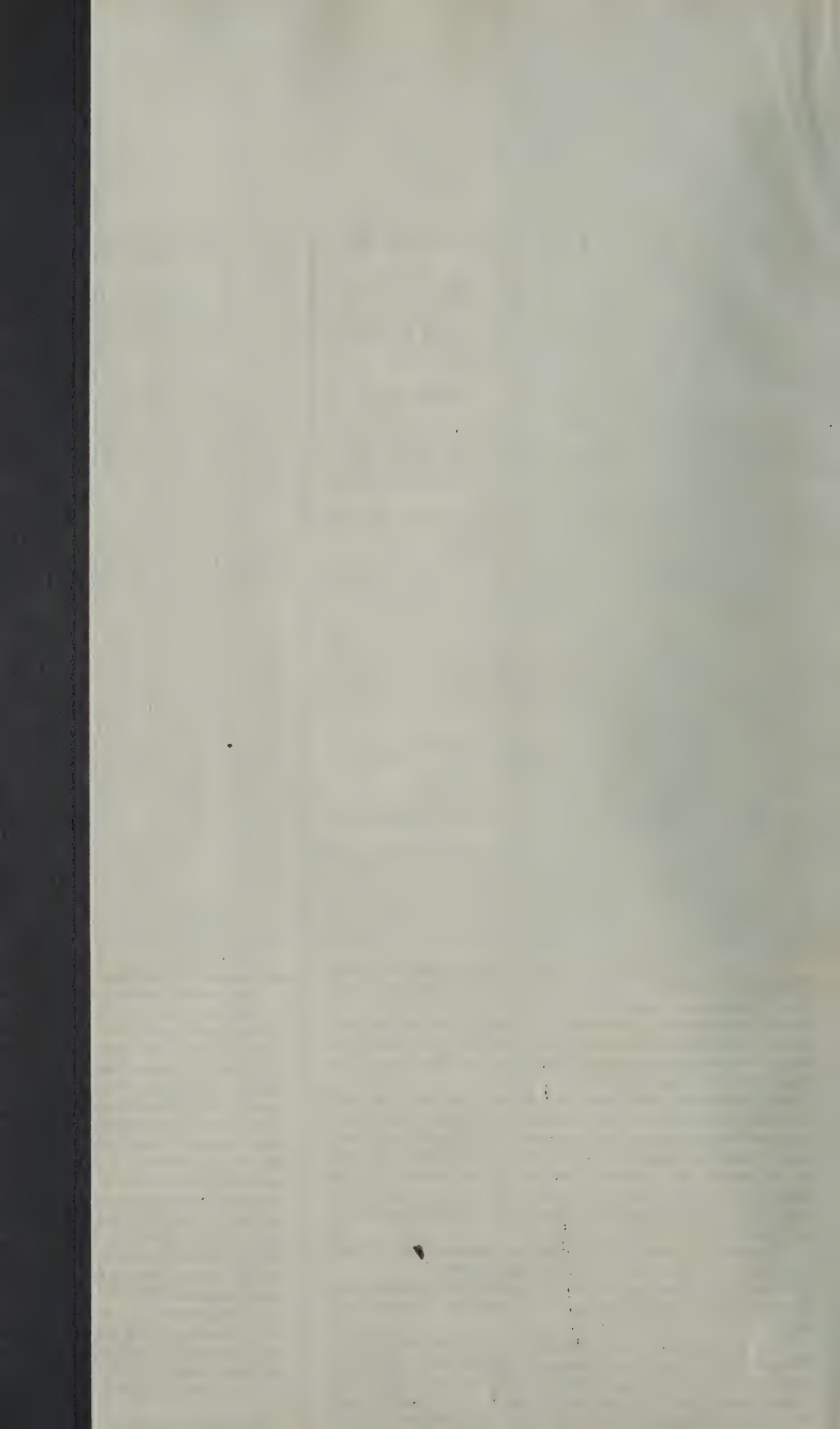
The following information is appended to the New York Epistle, viz:

"Correspondents.—John Duel for Saratoga Monthly Meeting, in place of Paul Kirby, released at his request. Address Mechanicsville, Saratoga County, N. Y.

Ephraim Potter for Granville Monthly Meeting, in place of Harris Otis, deceased. Address Granville, Washington County, N. Y.

John Bevans for Pelham Monthly Meeting, in place of Joseph King, deceased. Address Pelham Post-Office, Niagara District, Canada West, via Lewiston.

Paul Southwick, Peru Monthly Meeting. Address Keesville, Clinton County, N. Y."



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A copy of the rules of Discipline and orders of London Yearly Meeting has been received at this time from the meeting for Sufferings of that meeting the receipt of which is acceptable, being intended as well as a token of Brotherly regard, and it is directed to be placed in the hands of the Clerk of this meeting for the use of the members thereof.

Having accomplished our business at this time we conclude proposing to meet at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th month next.

Benjamin H. Lewis Clerk
for the day

Ninth Month 1848

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 10th Mo. 26th 1848

By accounts received from our several monthly meetings the representatives to this meeting are for Dover Jesse Roberts, John Header, and Samuel Dennis for Sandwich Albert C. Duffum, William Hussey, and William Tappan for Sandwich Simon Tarnsey, John Nelson, and Joseph Tarnsey who are all present. The representatives having proposed Stephen Beede for Clerk and John Header for an Assistant Clerk they are accordingly appointed to that station the ensuing year. The Minutes with the answers received from our several Monthly Meetings have been read.

Having accomplished the business of the meeting at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Rochester at the usual time in the first month next.

Stephen Beede Clerk

First Month 1849

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester 1. Mo. 25. 1849

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives are for Dover Isaac H. Perinton, John Meadert and William Page for Berwick, Benajah Duffum, William Tipton and Elijah Varnes, for Sandwich Daniel Fay, Stephen Beede and Moses Horag who are all present

We have read the Queries with the answers received from our several Monthly Meetings. It appears by the account from Sandwich Monthly Meeting that they have appointed Abiah Varnes and Lydia Varnes to the Station of Elders. This Meeting ^{is} ~~is~~ ^{solidly} considering the subject, is united with them therein, having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting. And the Church is directed to give the necessary information.

We have the acceptable company of our beloved Friends with ~~with~~ Certificates of Concurrence from their respective Meetings viz William Gifford from Sandwich Monthly Meeting of friends (Mass) held 1. mo. 5. 1849. Samuel Boyd Tobey from Providence Monthly Meeting held 12. Mo. 27. 1849. Whose Cashes & Names have been satisfactory to us.

We have also the acceptable company of our beloved friend Agariah J. Gifford, in company with William Gifford, with a Certificate of Concurrence from Sandwich Monthly Meeting of friends (Mass) held 1. mo. 5. 1849.

And the Church is directed to furnish our aforesaid friends respectively with an extract from

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the above minute and sign it on behalf of this Meeting

Having accomplished the business that has come before us - Under a sense of the favors this day witnessed we conclude proposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the fourth month next

Stephen Beede Clerk

Fourth Month 1849

At Dover, Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Dover,
4. mo. 26. 1849.

By accounts Received from our several monthly meetings, the representatives are, for Dover, Tobias Meaders, James Canney and Samuel Dennis for, Berwick Stephen Jenkins, James Hussy Jr. and Benajah Buffum for, Sandwich Joshua Hoag, Ezra Gould, Oliver Hill and Stephen Beede - who are present except one

We have read the Queries and answers received from our several Monthly Meetings, a summary of which is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting, and is appointed Timothy Hanson, Benajah Buffum, Stephen Beede, Olney Thompson, William Hussy and ^{representatives to Village Yearly Meeting} Isaac Meader & Walter Sawyer is appointed Treasurer, for the ensuing year - Our Treasurer is requested to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock, to the Yearly Meeting's Treasurer.

The Committee appointed in the 10. mo. 1847 to visit subordinate meetings, families and individuals: Made the following report which is acceptable, & ~~the~~ said Committee is continued till next meeting

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Fourth month 1819

This meeting with the concurrence of the women's meeting united with Dover, Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Edward L. Mander, to the Station of an Elder, and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information.

Our beloved friend Nathan Douglas attended this meeting with a certificate of Concurrence from Durham monthly meeting of Friends held 11. mo. 24. 1819.

Whose company and religious services have been satisfactory to us - and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with an extract from the above minute.

Answers to the Queries

1st - All our meetings have been attended except one small meeting which has been neglected a few times on account of sickness - those on first days generally be the greater part of friends those on the middle of the week, and for discipline are much neglected by many of our members - The hour nearly observed - Generally clear of unbecoming behavior except a few instances of sleeping, and some care taken in the above deficiencies.

2. Love and Unity are in a good measure maintained by most friends, though not so fully by some as would be best - We think most friends are careful to guard against detraction - Care has been taken to end differences when they have appeared.

3. We believe most friends are careful in the several particulars of this Query, while some are very deficient herein, in regard to both precept and example.

4. We know of no cause of complaint in the several particulars of this Query except the frequent use of spirituous liquors in a few instances and some care taken.

5. No cause of complaint in these respects.

6. Careful except a few instances of marrying.

Contrary to discipline which are under notice, and a few cases of keeping company in order for marriage.

7. In a good degree careful in these respects except one instance of training.

8. Generally careful though not without some exceptions.

9. Some deficiencies exist in regard to recording and certificates.
10. Care has been taken to deal with offenders in same measure usually to this Query. but we are sensible that more extensive labor is necessary. Judgement was (unanimously) we think, according to discipline.

Having accomplished the business of our meeting we conclude proposing to meet again at North Berwick, at the appointed time in the 8. mo. next.

Stephen Beede Clerk

Eighth Month 1821. 96

Doors Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Berwick, 8. mo. 11. 1821. 96.

On accounts received from several Monthly Meetings, the representatives to this meeting were, David, Timothy Hanson, Jacob H. Painters, Joseph Tuttle and Jesse Roberts, of North Berwick, Stephen Jenkins, Ira Allen and Wenajah Daffurn, of Sandwich, Benjamin Wier, of Oak Point, and Lindeus Clifton. Who are present.

The Clerk not being present, Oliver Thompson is appointed for this time. The queries have been read and answers from our several Monthly Meetings. The representatives to our last Yearly Meeting inform that attended. The joint-Committee to visit meetings, families &c. continued under appointment at our last meeting, are again continued to next meeting.

Our beloved friend Lydia Dean attended this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting held at Ferrisburg Vermont - 3. mo. 8. th. 1821. 96. Entered by Ferrisburg Quarterly Meeting held at Montpelier 1. 1. 8. mo. 9. 1821. 96. Her companions and religious services have been acceptable to us. We have also at this time the acceptable company of our beloved friend William Dean in company with his wife Lydia Dean, with a minute from Ferrisburg Monthly Meeting held 8. mo. 1. 1821. 96.

Our beloved friend Edward Dean attended this Meeting and presented

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Copy of a Minute of Concurrence from Seabrook's
Monthly meeting held at Seabrook's S. M. D. 1849.
His company and religious services have been accept-
able to us.

By an extract from the minutes of
our last Yearly Meeting it appears that our Pro-
portion of Yearly Meeting Stock is one hundred
and sixty Dollars, which is directed to be apportioned
as usual by the Clerks to our several Monthly Meetings.

Received three hundred printed copies of the
Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, which are
to be distributed to our Monthly Meetings to the
Representatives.

Our business being closed we
conclude proposing to meet again in Sandwich
at the usual time in the 10. Mo. next.

Charles Thompson Clerk for the day

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At Dover, Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
Sandwich 16. Mo. 25. 1849.

By accounts received from
correspondent meetings, the representatives to this
meeting are, Dr. Green, Timothy Hanson, Joseph Little,
Sally Milder, and Samuel Quinn, for 18th Mo. 1849.
For Buffum, Isaiah W. and Albert G. Buffum
for Sandwich, Ezra Meader, John Garrison and
Joshua Holcom - who are present.

At time having
expired for which the clerks were appointed, the
representatives propose Stephen Bude for clerk and
John Meader for an assistant clerk, which being
united with, they are accordingly admitted to that
service the ensuing year. We have read the
Queries with the answers received from our several
monthly meetings - We are again favored with
the acceptable company of our beloved friends
William and Lydia Dean, they having acceptably
attended all the meetings constituting this. And the
clerk is directed to furnish them with the substance
of the minutes taken in their favor at last meeting
and this and sign it on our behalf - The joint Com-
mittee to visit subordinate meetings families & individ-
uals inform that they have paid such attention to the
subject of their appointment as way has opened for
which being satisfactory they are continued undisturbed
to continue the ensuing year - The clerk is directed to
furnish our friend Edward Gore with extracts from
the minutes taken in his favor at last meeting.

Our beloved friend Lindley Murray has administered
in good esteem with us opened in this meeting a
prospect of performing a religious visit to Friends
and others in some places in the Southern part of our
yearly Meeting. Also some places within the limits of New York
Yearly Meeting as expressed in a minute granted him by Sandwich
Monthly Meeting - Which after a time of consideration was united
with & he is left at liberty to pursue in prospect as a
way open the way - and the clerk is directed to endorse the substance
of this minute on the certificate granted him by Sandwich Mo. Meeting and
sign it on our behalf. Our business being closed at this
time we conclude for this time to meet again at Rochester at the
usual time in the first month next - Wm. Bude, Clerk

Wm. & Lydia Dean
Clerks
Joint Committee
A. W. Meader
Ch. L. M. & G. P. L. & F. L.

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At General Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester N. Y. Dec. 24, 1850

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representations are for General James Carnsey, William Pace and Tobias Meader for Berwick Benajah Buffum, Isaac Ives and William Hissop for Sandwich Noah Carnsey Stephen Beede and Daniel Ives who are present except one

We have read the Queries with the answers received from our several monthly meetings

Our beloved friend Reuben Jones attended this meeting with a Certificate of Concurrence from Litchfield monthly meeting of Friends held 11. Mo. 16. 1849 whose Company and religious services have been satisfactory to us: Likewise our beloved friend Daniel W. Bailey in Company with our friend Reuben Jones attended this meeting with a minute of Concurrence from Litchfield monthly Meeting, his company has been acceptable to us. And the Clerk is directed to furnish our aforesaid friends with a transcript of the above minute

The business of our meeting being closed at this time we conclude, proposing to meet again at Concord at the usual time in the 4. Mo. next

Stephen Beede Clerk

Our Quarterly Meeting Friends held at Dorchester, Mass. 25. 1868
The accounts received from our monthly meetings the representatives to
this meeting are: for Dover Tobias Meador, James Cairns, Ebenezer Thompson
and Samuel Dennis, for Berwick James H. Gussie, Elijah Farnum
and Joseph Brackett, for Sandwich Daniel Fay, Ezra Gould
and Benjamin Fay. Who are present except two.

The clerk not being present at this time Ebenezer Thompson is
a appointed clerk for the day. The queries have been read in
this meeting and answers from our monthly meetings, a summary
of which is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting, which we
possessed by our friends, John Meador, Benjamin Duffen,
Isaiah Lloyd, Stephen Perkins, and Jacob H. Perinton.

The time having expired for which the treasurer, was a appointed
Walter Sawyer, is a appointed to that service the ensuing year.
Our treasurer, is directed to pay out proportion of Yearly Meeting
stock to the Yearly Meeting's treasury.

Summary Answers to the Queries

Answers 1st All our meetings have been attended: those on Lord's days by the
greater part of our members, Wednesday meetings and those on dis-
ciple are much neglected by some. The hour generally observed -
that of undecorous behavior, except a few instances of sleeping
and some carelessness.

2^d We believe most friends are in a good degree careful to main-
tain love and unity, yet they are much wanting in some instances and
some carelessness. Detraction we believe is guarded against by most
careful in regard to differences.

3^d We think most friends endeavor to bring up those under their
direction in plainness, to restrain them from pernicious and corrupt
conversations, and are in a good degree exemplary in them-
selves. While some are deficient in the discharge of this
important duty. The Holy Scriptures we believe are frequently
read in our families.

4th Careful in the several particulars of the queries, except
a few instances of the use of spirituous liquors other than
for medicinal on account of which some care has been taken.

5th Careful as far as appears.

6th Careful except one instance of marrying contrary to discipline, in
which we believe friends are generally careful in this respect.

7th Most careful in these particulars, although there
are some deficiencies in regard to settling accounts.

8th Some deficiencies in recording. Careful as to
on special except a few instances.

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Answers
to the
Queries

10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders in good measure, agreeably to the requisitions of this group, although we are sensible of some deficiencies in timely sustaining labor. We trust judgment has been placed according to discipline.

Our business being closed we conclude our course to meet again at North Berwick, at the usual time in the E. M. S. next.

Oliver Thompson Clerk for the day

Eighth Month 1850

At Dover, N. H. a meeting of Friends held at North Berwick, E. M. S. 23, 1850.

By accounts received from our general monthly meetings the representatives are: for Dover Oliver Thompson, Benjamin A. Jones, Timothy Hanson and Samuel Loughton; for Berwick William E. Wren, Benjamin Buffum and Stephen Jenkins; for Lundwick Benjamin Fry, Stephen Deeds and Joseph Tarned. Who are all present.

We have read the Queries with the answers received from our general monthly meetings. The representatives to our last Yearly Meeting inform that they all attended. It appears in the following minute from the Yearly Meeting that our proportion of Yearly Meeting votes is one hundred and sixty dollars, which is directed to be apportioned to our monthly meetings in the usual manner.

Y. M. S.
State

At the Yearly Meeting of Friends for New-England held on Rhode Island in the eighth month 1850. It is concluded to raise two thousand dollars for the use of this meeting the present year, which the Quarterly Meetings are requested to perceive in their respective proportions to David Buffum our Treasurer. The amount to be raised in this purpose by Dover Quarterly Meeting is one hundred and sixty dollars (per cent).

From the minutes of the meeting

Samuel Boyd Toby Clerk
Received two hundred copies of the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and the representatives are requested to see that these are properly distributed among our members.

Our beloved friend Eliza M. Fard, attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from Litchfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10. Mo. 15. 1850. Also our beloved friend Abigail ^{Wheeler} attended our meeting with a certificate of concurrence from Scarborough Monthly Meeting of Friends. 1. 1850. Their company and religious services have been satisfactory to us. Likewise our beloved friend Frank Fard, in company with his wife Eliza M. Fard, with a minute of concurrence from Litchfield Monthly Meeting acceptable attended this meeting. And the Clerk is directed to furnish our associated friends with an extract from the above Minutes.

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10. Mo. next.

Stephen Beede Clerk

Ninth Month 1850

At Dover, Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 10. Mo. 2th. 1850. By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives are: for Dover, George James, Vincent J. Lawrence, Benj. H. Jones and John Roberts - for Berwick Benjamin Brigham, Elijah Farnum and William Benson. for Sandwich Ashua Nelson, John Nelson & Ashua Wrag. Who are present except one.

The time having expired for which the Clerk was appointed. The representatives propose Stephen Beede for Clerk and John H. Beede for an assistant Clerk. They are accordingly appointed for that service the ensuing year. We have read the queries with the answers received from our several Monthly Meetings.

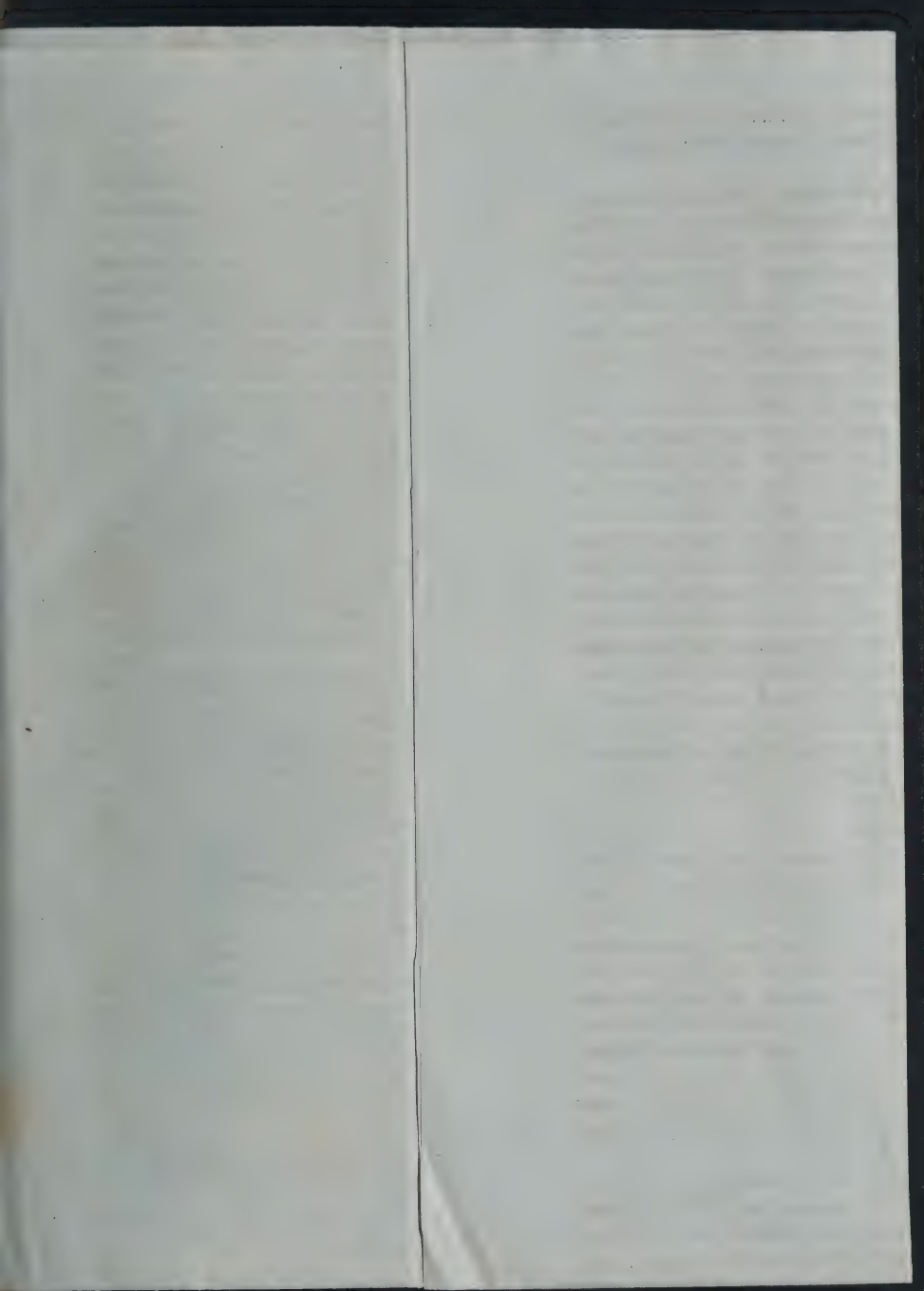
Our beloved friend Maria Chase attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from Ware Monthly Meeting of Friends held 10. Mo. 10. 1850. Whose company and useful labours have been satisfactory and encouraging to us - and the Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above Minutes. The Committee to visit subordinate meetings, families & individuals, as we might deem fit, having no report to make is continued till next meeting.

Sentimental 1850.

Received the following extracts from the
Minutes of our last Year's Meeting together with the
report of the Boarding School Committee

Our business being closed at this time
We conclude proposing to meet again at Rochester
at the usual time in the first month next

Wm. Beebe Clerk



At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island in the sixth month, 1850, the subjoined Report of the Boarding School Committee was presented and read, and was satisfactory to this Meeting, and a Committee was appointed to consider the subjects specially proposed therein to be determined by this Meeting and report their views thereon, as well as on any matter connected with the interests of the Institution, to a future sitting.

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW ENGLAND,
SIXTH MONTH, 1850.

We, your Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, have given attention thereto.—Meetings of the Committee at large have been held at the School, Quarterly, and of a Sub-Committee for its more immediate supervision have been held there Monthly, in the intervening months, at which reports on the condition of the School have been received from members of the Committee deputed to visit it and examine into its condition in the intervals of these Monthly Meetings.

We believe in this manner a pretty intimate knowledge of the condition of the Institution in its various departments has been kept up by the Committee; and we are encouraged to believe that this condition has been generally much in accordance with the wishes of Friends.

The labors of the Committee have been at times called for and bestowed, to encourage the attention of the Teachers and Scholars to the common and indispensable branches of an English education, such as will fit them to fill the common walks of life, and to discourage a neglect of these for the pursuit of such as do not so immediately concern practical business.

Yet we think it right to furnish in the School the means of instruction in some of the more advanced studies such as Mathematics, Astronomy, the Latin, Greek and French languages, Natural Philosophy, &c. But we believe that in the present state of education among Friends in this Yearly Meeting, the Institution will be most useful in encouraging such a course of study as looks to the fitting of the children of Friends practically to fulfill the duties common to all—while we agree entirely with the recommendation of George Fox, that Friends' schools should teach whatever is useful in the creation.

Our friends Silas Cornell and Sarah M. Cornell have continued to serve the Institution as Superintendents, and Charles Artherton and Richard D. Meader as Teachers in the Boys' School, with the addition of Welcome O. Brown during the winter term. In the Girls' School as Teachers we have had the services of Martha M. Haines, Anna B. Paige, and Lydia Almy during the year. Instruction in the languages has been given as heretofore, for a part of the year by Lafayette Burr, and for the remainder by George Pierce.

The average number of Scholars has been one hundred and one, viz. fifty-one males and fifty females.

The family has generally been favored with health, and harmony has prevailed. Meetings for worship have been regularly held as heretofore in the house.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School Fund have been examined and audited.

The expenditures of the School during the year ending with the last winter Term have been \$13,754 51.

The income from the School Fund has been \$6,595 20—and from board and tuition of Scholars and other sources \$6,912 72. Total income, \$13,507 92, being less than the expenditures by the sum of \$246 59.

The balance in the hands of the Treasurer at the end of the winter Term may be stated at \$262 18, being \$246 59 less than the balance in hand last year—that being the amount by which the expenditures have exceeded the income.

According to the conclusion of the Yearly Meeting last year, the Committee proceeded to ascertain, as near as might be, the actual expense incurred for the board and tuition of a scholar at the School, and found the same to be \$66 per Term, and that sum, according to the direction of the Yearly Meeting, has been charged the last Term for children members of other Yearly Meetings.

The Committee apprehend that this conclusion of the Yearly Meeting is one which it may be well to review, and they think the present a suitable time for the whole subject of the price of tuition and the application of the funds of the Institution to claim the renewed attention of the Yearly Meeting. They therefore believe it right, instead of proposing the terms for board and tuition the coming year, as has been heretofore usually done, to recommend the whole subject to the deliberate consideration of the Yearly Meeting.

We believe usefulness to the School would arise from the members of the Yearly Meeting's Committee on education

attending each of the semi-annual examinations at the School, and would suggest to the Yearly Meeting that such attendance be recommended.

We desire to impress upon the minds of Friends the importance, in our view, of children remaining through the Term they enter for, and being present at the examination at its close. Much discouragement to the care takers at the School and to the Committee, has resulted from scholars leaving previous to such examinations, and we believe a serious loss has also often resulted to the scholars who have thus left, as well as inconvenience to those who remain.

The subject of the training of the youthful members of our religious Society as it has ever been among the most important and interesting concerns of Friends, so we apprehend it remains to be of deep interest to the well being both of its objects and of the Society at large. There is both truth and instruction in the testimony of Scripture, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." We trust the interest of friends on this subject has not abated, and we feel encouraged to believe that the School has, under the Divine blessing, served to promote the object of a guarded and religious education, and we may express the desire that with the continued care of Friends, it may still be useful to the same end.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee.

STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk.

Newport, 6th mo. 15th, 1850."

The Committee to which was referred the Report of the School Committee, made the following Report, viz:

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

The Committee of Men and Women Friends, appointed to consider of the suggestions contained in the Report of the School Committee and any other subjects connected with the interests of the School, have had the same under consideration, and are united in proposing to the Yearly Meeting—that the price for board and tuition in the School the present year, commencing with the now current term, for members of other Yearly Meetings, be restored to the price formerly charged, viz: fifty dollars per Term.

That the price of Board and Tuition for children, members of our Yearly Meeting, for the ensuing year, be Thirty Dollars per Term—and for children not members, one or both of whose parents are members, be Forty-five Dollars per Term, and that the same price be charged for any others who may be admitted. Five dollars per term additional charge, being made in all cases for instruction in the languages.

That the amount to be appropriated the coming year, for free board and tuition, be restricted to the amount of the income of the charitable fund. Monthly Meetings to send forward to the School Committee, at their meetings in the 9th and 3d months, the names and ages of such children, within their limits, as they may think suitable to receive the benefit of the fund, and any other information regarding them which may aid the School Committee—and the children to be received are to be selected by that Committee. The conditions of the bequest of the principal part of the charitable fund being, in the words of the donor, "For the Schooling of such members of the Society as are actually poor, supported or not as such by the respective Monthly Meetings. Females to have equal advantages of the whole of the legacy as males."

On behalf of the Committee,

STEPHEN A. CHASE.

Newport, Sixth Mo. 20th, -1850."

—which is satisfactory to the Meeting, and the Clerk is directed to forward it with the Report of the School Committee to our subordinate Meetings.

In the account from Smithfield we are informed that Benjamin Wheeler wishes to be released from his appointment as correspondent of Uxbridge Monthly Meeting—whereupon we appoint Edward Earle of Worcester to supply his place.

In the Epistle addressed to this Meeting from Indiana, we are informed that "the following friends are appointed correspondents to sign certificates, minutes, &c.

Ashley Johnson for West Union Monthly Meeting in White Lick Quarter—address Monrovia, Morgan Co., Indiana.

Samuel P. Haviland for Greenwich Monthly Meeting in Alum Creek Quarter—address Greenwich, Huron Co., Ohio.

Micajah Johnson for Miami Monthly Meeting, Miami Quarter, in the place of James Smith deceased—address Waynesville, Warren Co., Ohio.

Change the address of Eleazer Hiatt for Chester Monthly Meeting, White Water Quarter, to Chester, Wayne Co. Ind'a."

Extracted from the Minutes.

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

At a General Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester 1. Mo. D.S. 1851. By accounts recd from our several Monthly Meetings the representation to this meeting are for Dorset Samuel Conway, Isaac W. Dainton, Daniel Meade, Benjamin Stone for Dorset, Josiah Fry, William Russell and Joseph Brackett for Sandwich, Joel Town, Daniel Fry and Moses Hoag. We are all present.

We have read the Queries with the answers received from our several Monthly Meetings. The committee to visit subordinate meetings inform that they have given some attention to the subject of their appointment but are not ready to report they are again continued till next meeting. It appears by the account from Dorset Monthly Meeting that they have appointed Edward Locke to the Station of an Elder, this meeting with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting voted with them therein and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information. It also appears by the account from Sandwich Monthly Meeting that they have approved of the public appearances in the Ministry of Mary Hoag with which we unite having the concurrence of the Women's Meeting and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information.

Our dear friend Lindley Murray Hoag a Minister with whom we have unity joined in this meeting a prospect of performing a religious visit to friends and others in some places within the limits of New York Yearly Meeting's Friends as expressed in a minute granted him at Sandwich Monthly Meeting. Which claiming the highly consideration of our meeting is united with and he is left at liberty and encouraged to pursue the prospect as soon as may open the way and the Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of this minute on the Certificate granted him by Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

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Our dear friends who are in attendance with us with certificates of concurrence from their respective Monthly Meetings - James Jones from China Monthly Meeting held 1. Mo. 11. 1851 -

Elisha Jones from the same Monthly Meeting and Caleb Jones from Falmouth Monthly Meeting held 12. Mo. 26. 1850 - whose company and religious services have been satisfactory and encouraging to us -

The Clerk is directed to furnish our aforesaid friends with an extract of the substance of the above minute taken in their favor respectively.

The business of our meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Dover, at the usual time in the fourth Month Next -

Stephen Beebe Clerk

Fourth Month 1851

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Dover 4. Mo. 21. 1851 -

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives to this Meeting are for Dover Walter Sawyer, Joseph Tuttle and Tobias Meader - for Berwick Albert C. Buffum, Edward Evans and William Simpson - for Sandwich Stephen Beebe, Lindley Murray Hoag and Oliver Meader - who and present except one -

We have read the queries with the answers received from our several Monthly Meetings from which the following Summary is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting and we appoint Lindley C. Murray, Hoag, Tobias Meader, Jacob H. Purinton, Samuel Dennis and Benajah Buffum our representatives to said Yearly Meeting -

Answers to the Queries -

1st (At our meeting) and attended there on first day by the greater part of friends; viz. they are much neglected by many on the middle of the week, and for discipline - The hour quickly observed. Cloud of unbecoming behavior when assembled except a few instances of sleeping, and some conversation -

2^d We believe there is a good degree of love and unity maintained by most friends, though much wanting in some instances, and some caution & detraction guarded against by most. Care has been taken in regard to differences.

3^d We think most friends are careful in regard to plainness, yet not without exceptions in regard to speech and apparel. We fear, some friends are not so careful in regard to pernicious reading as would be best. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most friends families.

4th We believe friends are careful in the use of spirituous liquors except two or three instances in which it is used other than for medicines, one of which is under notice. Clear as far as appears in the other parts of this group except two instances of frequenting places of public resort & some caution.

5th Careful as far as appears.

6th Friends are careful in these respects except three instances of marrying out, two of which are under notice, and two or three instances of keeping company with persons not in membership with friends on account of marriage.

7th Careful except three instances of military training which are under notice.

8th Careful in the several particulars of this group except a few instances of neglect in settling accounts and some caution.

9th Mostly careful as to record-keeping. Clear as to certificates except a few instances.

10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders, we trust in good measure as directed, though we are sensible of some deficiencies in timely restoring labor. Judgement has been placed where it has appeared necessary.

The Committee to visit subordinate meetings, families and individuals made the following report viz
as to the Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be held at Dover,
24th of 14th Mo. 1851

The Committee appointed in the 10th month 1849 to visit meetings, families & individuals & continued up to the present time report that during the time

Report of Committee
to visit subordinate
meetings

Tenth Month 1851

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With which we unite the women's Meeting concurring.
On the account from Dorset Monthly Meeting it appears that Coates arrived
and appeared from the judgment of that Meeting to their which is deferred till
next meeting on account of the absence of the applicant - viz. Meeting being
informed that he intends to prosecute his appeal.

The time for which the Treasurer of this Meeting was appointed having
expired Jacob W. Purinton is appointed for that service the ensuing
year. Our Treasurer is desired to forward our proportion of
Yearly Meeting stock to the Treasurer of that Meeting.

Our Dear friend Benjamin H. Jones a Minister in unity
with us came in this Meeting a fragment of visiting in God's
love friends and others within the compass of Rhode Island
Smithfield and Sandwich Quarterly Meetings also of attending
their Yearly Meeting of Friends and of visiting some
places and appointing some meetings within its limits as expressed
in the Certificate granted him by Dorset Monthly Meeting
which Chairman the solid consideration of our Meeting and
concern is united with, and he is left at liberty and
encouraged to pursue the prospect as Truth may direct.

By direction and on behalf of Dorset Quarterly Meeting
of Friends held at Dorset R. M. M. 1851

Stephen Beede } Clerk
Lydia Thompson }

The Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of the above
Minutes on the certificate granted him by Dorset Monthly
Meeting. John (Meads), Tobias (Meads), Walter (Carver),
Jacob W. Purinton, William Houssey and Samuel Gorman
are appointed to advise with our aforesaid friend Benjamin
H. Jones and take the necessary care in his case.

Our business being accomplished at this time we
conclude proposing to meet again at North Berwick at
the usual time the 8. mo. next.

Stephen Beede Clerk

A. Ward
C. Jones

Benjamin H. Jones

Eighth Month 1857

186 George Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 8. Mo. 29. 1857

We account receiving our several Monthly Meetings the representatives this Meeting are - for Dorchester Stephen Meader, Cyrus Thompson and Cyrus Bays for Berwick John Hussy, Nicholas A. Plutnam and Jas. H. Brackett for Sandwich Ezra Meader, Stephen Birds and Sedeciah Selick - who are all present

Our beloved Friend Daniel Wood attended this Meeting and all the Meetings constituting this and presented a certificate of concurrence from Salem Creek Monthly Meeting in the State of Ohio held 11. Mo. 23. 1857 - Those Companies & Society labors have been sustained and edifying to us. And the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this Minute

We have read the Minutes with the answers received from our Monthly Meetings ^{upon which} many pertinent and encouraging remarks have been made - The representatives to our last Yearly Meeting inform that they all attend this Meeting is informed that Cyrus Varnay withdraws his appeal from the decision of our Monthly Meeting and the Clerk is directed to inform that meeting by an extract from the Minute

Our beloved friend Liddle Murray being a Minister in good esteem with us, in this Meeting a prospect of attending the ensuing Yearly Meeting of Friends in Indiana & North Carolina and of attending once a fortnight some other Meetings as expressed by a certificate granted him by Sandwich Monthly Meeting which, after a time of consideration was united with, and he left at liberty and encouraged pursue the prospect as he thought most wise there. And the Clerk is directed to enclose the substance of this Minute on the Certificate granted him by Sandwich Monthly Meeting and sign the same on our behalf

At our Yearly Meeting of FRIENDS for New-England, held on Rhode-Island in the sixth mo. 1851.

To the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings—

The subjoined annual Report of the Boarding School Committee was presented and read, and a committee was appointed to take the same into consideration, and report their judgment on the propositions contained therein to a future sitting.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS FOR NEW-ENGLAND, SIXTH MONTH, 1851.

The Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence, Report—that they have given attention to their appointment, and from time to time met as a Committee at large and by Sub-Committees for the supervision of the School and its various concerns.

The Committee have, they trust, felt the weight and importance of their interesting charge, and have endeavored according to their ability to promote in the Institution a religious, guarded education, consistent with our religious profession.

The School during the year has been under the charge of our friends Silas and Sarah M. Cornell as Superintendents.—Charles Atherton and Moses C. Stevens have served as Teachers through the year, in the male department, with the addition of John Henry Crossman during the Winter Term. In the female department we have had the services of Anna B. Page and Anna Inman during the Summer Term, and of the latter with Deborah Holway and Mary W. Hawkes during the Winter Term. Elizabeth Prosser has also been engaged as Teacher of drawing, and has had the care of some of the younger scholars in both Schools during the year. Instruction in the Latin and Greek Languages has been given by George Peirce for both terms, and in the French Language during the Winter Term by Louise Parrot, a native French Teacher.

The average number of scholars has been ninety-two, viz., forty-eight males and forty-four females.

During the Summer Term, the health of the family was generally good. In the Winter Term the measles prevailed to a great extent among the scholars, there having been forty-six cases among one hundred and twenty-one scholars in the School at the time.

It was cause of thankfulness that all these cases terminated in recovery to health, except one. Mary Smith, daughter of Moses Smith, of Dartmouth, an interesting young woman, of amiable disposition and very exemplary deportment, was removed by death. She took the disease while laboring under some other bodily infirmities, which probably tended to increase its severity. Her strength rapidly declined, and after being confined to her room four days only, her gentle spirit passed away on the evening of the 21st of First month, being a few days over 18 years of age.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School Fund have been audited.

The expenditures of the School for the year ending with the Winter Term have been \$13,413 12.

The income received from the School Fund has been \$7,495—and from board, tuition, and other sources, \$6,137 77. Total income, including balance of last year, \$13,632 77 ;—leaving unexpended in the Superintendent's hands \$219 65, an amount about equal to that in hand in Spring of 1850. Beside the above expenditures, the sum of \$529 50 has been expended on improvements on the farm and premises, and in the purchase of scientific Books, from funds specially appropriated to those objects.

We would propose that the terms for board and tuition the coming year, should remain as last year, viz. : for members of our Yearly Meeting Thirty Dollars per Term—for members of other Yearly Meetings Fifty Dollars per Term—and for children not members, one or both of whose parents are members of our Yearly Meeting, Forty-five Dollars per Term, and that the same price be charged for any others who may be admitted. Five Dollars per Term additional charge being made in all cases for instruction in the Languages.

That the amount to be appropriated the coming year, for free board and tuition, be restricted to the amount of the income of the charitable fund. Monthly Meetings to send forward to the School Committee, at their Meetings in the Ninth and Third months, the names and ages of such children, within their limits, as they may think suitable to receive the benefit of the Fund, and any information regarding them which may aid the School Committee ; and the children to be received, to be selected by that Committee. The condition of the bequest of the principal part of the charitable fund being, in the words of the donor, "For the schooling of such members of the Society as are actually poor, supported or not as such by the respective Monthly Meetings. Females to have equal advantages of the whole of the legacy as males."

The subject of the continuance of holding meetings for worship for the scholars and family in the house, has been several times, during the year, solidly considered by the Committee ; and it has resulted in the conclusion to bring the subject before the Yearly Meeting for their consideration, with a view, if the Yearly Meeting should unite therein, of the Committee for the superintendence of the School the coming year, being authorized, as way may open for it, to direct the discontinuance of such meetings in the house, and the attendance of the scholars and family of the Meetings for worship in Providence.

In conclusion, we would express a feeling of thankfulness for the sense we have of the continued usefulness of this School, and for the religious concern cherished, we trust, by Friends, that under the blessing of Divine Providence, the School may be increasingly useful in fostering in the minds of

our young Friends a love for the religious profession of the Society in which they have the privilege of membership, and a continued and increasing solicitude, that the precious doctrines professed by us may be faithfully upheld before the world—that the injunction of our blessed Saviour may be increasingly obeyed amongst us, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in Heaven."

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee,
STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk.
Providence, 6th month 3d, 1851.

The Meeting for Sufferings having proposed a regulation of Discipline as to the manner of making additions to our Meetings of Ministers and Elders, (the subject having been referred to that Meeting by this Meeting last year,) it claimed our solid consideration, and was referred for further deliberation to our next sitting.

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Boarding School Committee, made the following Report, viz :

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING NOW SITTING.

The Committee of men and women Friends appointed to consider the subject of authorizing the Committee for the Superintendence of the Boarding School, to discontinue as way may open for it, the meetings for worship for the scholars and family in the house, and to provide for them to attend meetings for worship in Providence—Report : That they have taken the subject into solid consideration, and they would recommend that the proposition in the Report of the Boarding School Committee in relation thereto, be adopted by the Yearly Meeting.

On behalf of the Committee,
ESTES NEWHALL,
RUTH H. BAKER.

Newport, 6th mo. 18th, 1851."

—which is satisfactory, and the Report of the School Committee is adopted, and the Clerk directed to forward copies of it to our subordinate Meetings.

The proposition of a regulation of Discipline in regard to the manner of making additions to our Meetings of Ministers and Elders, being now again brought before us, claimed our solid consideration, and was united with by this Meeting, and with the concurrence of the Women's Meeting, is adopted and established as Discipline—and the Clerk is directed to have it printed in suitable form and furnished to subordinate meetings, to be by them inserted in the Book of Discipline, and to go into effect when the meetings shall have received a copy of the same. It is as follows :—

"Instead of the paragraph commencing on the 78th page with the words "As these are officers, &c." and ending on the 79th page with the words "case of Elders," in the edition of the printed discipline of 1849.—the following paragraphs are to be substituted, viz. :

In the appointment of Elders, the following order is to be observed—Whenever it shall appear on solid consideration to any Monthly Meeting that an appointment of an Elder or Elders in such Monthly Meeting is right and proper, the Monthly Meeting are to appoint a Committee to consider of a suitable friend or friends rightly qualified for that station. The Monthly meeting both of men and women uniting therein. When said Committee are united in judgment, that any friend is rightly qualified for such station, they shall in writing request the Quarterly Meeting to appoint a Committee to join with them in considering the subject, without communicating the name or names of the friends proposed. The Quarterly Meeting shall thereupon comply with such request, the men and women's meeting uniting therein ; and if the Committee of the Quarterly Meeting so appointed shall advise thereto, the Committee of the Monthly Meeting shall propose such friend or friends to their Monthly Meeting ; and after the Monthly Meeting have approved such, adjudging them duly anointed and qualified for that service, as they are officers of the church at large, let them acquaint the Quarterly Meeting therewith, who after waiting for their concurring unity, and finding nothing to hinder, are to minute the same, and the friend or friends so appointed, may then sit in any of our Meetings of Ministers and Elders. Information of such appointments is to be given by the Quarterly to the select Quarterly Meetings, and by each of the Quarterly Meetings to the Yearly Meeting, and the names of the friends appointed are to be entered on the minutes of the select Quarterly Meetings, and on the Yearly Meeting's records.

And where any friend appears in public ministry, whose conversation shall be clean and blameless, and the Elders of the Monthly Meeting he or she belongs to, (or in case the Quarterly Meeting shall have joined the select members of two or more Monthly Meetings into one Meeting, then the Elders of such Meeting,) are convinced that the Lord hath called them to that weighty work, after duly waiting for due proof thereof, they shall in writing request the Quarterly Meeting to appoint a Committee to unite with them in considering the same, who shall thereupon comply with such request, the men and women's Meeting uniting therein, and if said Committee of the Quarterly Meeting shall advise thereto, the Elders of the Monthly Meeting or of the Select Meeting to which the select members of such Monthly Meeting may belong, shall signify their unity with the gift of such friend in the ministry to the Monthly Meeting, who after weightily feeling after the mind of truth therein, and being united in approving him or her as a Minister in the Church, the same be entered and sent forward, in like manner as in the case of Elders."

From the Minutes of the Meeting,
SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Eighth Month 1857

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Dec^r ^{opened} the following extracts from the minutes of the
Yearly Meeting together with the Report of the Boarding
School Committee

Eighth Month 1851

Also received Copies of the regulation of Discipline established by our last Yearly Meeting which are directed to be forwarded to the Monthly Meetings and be inserted in all our books of Discipline. Likewise need a number of Copies of the Epistles of London Yearly Meeting to its District Meetings as also a number of Copies of the London General Epistles for 1850 all of which are directed to be distributed to our Monthly Meetings by the representatives.

The business of our Meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10. Mo. Next.

Stephen & Frederick Clark

Tenth Month 1851

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich N. No. 23rd 1851.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives are for Dover, Elish Jenkins of New Durham, Walter Sawyer and Samuel Dennis, for Berwick, Benajah Buffum, Elijah Barney, Isaiah Fry and Albert C Buffum, for Sandwich, Isaac Tucker, John May and Jonathan Miller who are present.

The time having expired for which the clerks were appointed the representatives propose that John Brown for clerk and Benajah Buffum Assistant both for the day and they are accordingly appointed.

Our beloved friend Edward Stone

attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from Sandwich Monthly Meeting held the present month. his company and gospel labors are satisfactory to us.

Also our beloved friend ^{James} McLaughlin attended this meeting with a certificate of concurrence from China Monthly Meeting of Friends held at South China in 3 Mo. last. his company & gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our esteemed friend David Kelly companion to Revell Hoyie is in attendance of this meeting with a minute of concurrence from Sandwich Monthly Meeting May 3rd of present month.

Our esteemed friend Joseph Tabor companion to James McLaughlin is also in attendance with us with a certificate of concurrence from Unity Monthly Meeting held at Thuncliffe in the 5th month last. their company and solid deportment have been satisfactory to us - and the clerk is directed to furnish our friends respectively with extracts of the above minutes.

The queries and answers received from our several monthly meetings are read.

Our beloved friend Joanna M. Miller a minister in unity with us in a weighty manner opened in this meeting a prospect of performing a religious visit within the limits of Harrisburg Quarterly Meeting, as is expressed in a certificate granted her by Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends, which claiming the solid consideration of this meeting, is fully united with and she is left at liberty to accomplish the same as best wisdom may direct. The clerk is directed to endorse the substance of the above minute on the certificate granted her by Sandwich Monthly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished we conclude proposing to meet in Rochester at the usual time in 1 Mo. next,

Oliver Thompson Clerk for day

Revell Hoyie present
James McLaughlin present

Joanna M. Miller Certificate

First Month 1852

Our Quarterly Meeting of friends held at
Rochester N.Y. 22nd 1852.

By accounts from our
monthly collections the circumstances to this meeting
are for Rev. Tobias Maeder, Chas. Thompson and
John Roberts, for Berwick, Joseph Finckel, Benjamin
Bynum and William Brown, for Sandwich, Vot
Varny, Paul Hoag and Edward L. Hoag who are
present.

There being no clerks under appointment
the representatives propose Oliver Thompson for clerk
and John Maeder for Assistant Clerk which being
separately considered is united with and they appointed
to these stations respectively for one year.

The queries and the required answers
from our monthly meetings are read at this time.

Our friend and friend Lindley Murray Hoag
a minister in unity with us, in a solemn and impressive
manner informed this meeting, that for several years
his mind had been impressively drawn in the love
of the gospel to pay a religious visit to friends and
others in Europe, and he believed the time had come
when it was required of him, to resign himself to that
service, and also that way should open for it, to visit friends
and others in some other places in Europe, to appoint
meetings and attend to such religious service as may
be required, and believed that it would be right for
him to attend the Yearly Meetings of London and
Dublin. After a time of solid consideration, the arduous
prospect of our dear friend was fully united with, much
sympathy expressed, and he left at liberty and encour-
aged to pursue the same as best wisdom may direct.
John Maeder, Benjamin H. Jones and Abby Thompson
are appointed to prepare the endorsement for his certifi-
cate and present to next meeting. Tobias Maeder
Jacob H. Thompson, Benjamin Bynum Daniel
Barah Gray, Hanson & Maeder.

Clerks appointed

Lindley Hoag Certificate

First Month 1838

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Head, and Josiah Varney are appointed a committee with whom he may confer in relation to the accomplishment of the religious services to which he has been liberated.

Our beloved friend Lindley Murray Hoag, a minister in unity with us in a weighty manner spread before this meeting a prospect if we should open our list, of appointing some meetings for friends and others within the limits of this Yearly Meeting and of paying a religious visit to friends and others in some places within the compass of New York and Philadelphia Yearly Meetings, and of appointing and attending some meetings as truth may open the way as expressed in his certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting. After a time of deliberate consideration his concern was fully united with and he left at liberty to perform his prospect as best wisdom may direct. The Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of the above minute in his certificate and sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Reuben Jones attended this meeting and presented a minute of concurrence from Wickfield Monthly Meeting of 12. Mo. last, his company and gospel labors have been satisfactory to us; the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute.

A communication is received at this time from a committee of Dover Mo. Meeting requesting the appointment of a committee to advise with them, in relation to the appointment of an elder. Noah Varney, Benajah Buffum, Asah Fry, Lindley M. Hoag and Peter H. Sweet are appointed to perform that service and report to next meeting.

Lindley Murray Hoag

Reuben Jones

Committee to advise with Dover Mo. Meeting

First Month 1852

Also a communication from the Elders of
Dover Select Preparative meeting is received reques-
ting the appointment of a committee to advise
with them in relation to the approval of a
Minister within the limits of our M^o. Meeting
the above named committee are requested to render
advice in this case also and report to next meeting

Our Beloved Friend Benjamin H. Jones
returned the certificate granted him in 4 Mo last
accompanied with testimonials of satisfaction with
his religious services from the Yearly Meeting of
Ministers and Elders, from Tarentum Quarterly Meeting
held at Dansbury and from Butterfield Quarterly Meeting
New York. Also several from meetings within the
limits of our own Yearly Meeting

E. J. Thompson Clerk

First Month 1852

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of friends
Met in Dover 4th Mo 22nd 1852.

By accounts received from our
Monthly Meetings the representatives to this meet-
ing are for Dover James Canney, Walter Sawyer,
Adon H. Burington and Samuel Dennis, for
Berwick Henry Ester, Sarah Fry and Rich-
ard A. Pinkham, for Sandwich Oliver Medd,
Daniel B. Hoag, and Alvin Hoag, who are
present except two.

Several members of the
Quarterly Meetings Committee to visit Subordinate
Meetings are acceptably in attendance at this
time, and presented a minute of their appoint-
ment.

The queries have been read and
answers received from our Monthly Meetings,
a summary of which is prepared for the ensuing
Yearly Meeting and are as follows, and we appoint
Lindley M. Hoag, Benajah Buffum, Tobias Medd
and Sarah Fry representatives thereo-

Answers to the Queries.

1st All our Meetings for religious worship and
discipline have been attended, those on first days
generally by most, those on the middle of the
week and for discipline are much neglected by
many. The hour pretty well observed - Clear of un-
becoming behavior except a few instances of sleep-
ing and some care taken in the above deficiencies.

2nd We believe love and unity are in a good degree
maintained by most friends, yet it is much wanting
in some instances and some care taken. Most friends
are careful to guard against detraction, Care has
been taken to end differences when they have arisen.

3rd We believe most friends are careful to
bring those under their direction in planning,

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To restrain them from pernicious reading, games, card & conversation, and are good examples themselves. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most pious families.

4th We believe friends are careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors except in a few instances otherwise than in medicine. We believe some given to are not careful enough to restrain the young from visiting places of public resort, and some care taken. There in the other part of this query.

5th Careful as far as appears.

6th Generally careful as far as appears, altho there are two or three instances of keeping company out of the order of Friends Society, apparently on account of marriage, and four instances of marrying contrary to the order of friends, three of which are under notice.

7th Careful as far as appears.

8th Careful in the several particulars of this query except a few instances of neglect in settling accounts, and in the payment of debts.

9th Generally careful altho there is some neglect as to recording and a few instances of removals without certificates.

10th Some care has been taken to deal with offenders tho we are sensible of some deficiencies in timely testimony. Judgment has been placed where it appeared necessary.

The friends appointed to the service presented an endorsement for the certificate of Timothy Murray, Hous, which being satisfactory, the clerk is directed to sign it on our behalf. The same committee are directed to transcribe his certificate and enclosement upon parchment.

This and the Womans meeting unite with the Ives Monthly meeting in the approval of the Ministry of Sarah B. Roberts.

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Also, with the same monthly meeting in the appointment of Moses Roberts as the station of an Elder.

Our beloved friend, Jacob Patterson, attended this meeting with a certificate of unity with him in his present religious engagements, from Rhode Island Monthly Meeting of 1st Mo. last. His company and gospel labors have been satisfactory to us. The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute and sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend, Martha Meader, a minister in unity with us, informed this meeting that she believed it would be right for her to attend the ensuing Yearly Meeting of New York, and in the love of the gospel to visit and appoint some meetings amongst friends and others within its limits. Also to visit and appoint some meetings amongst friends and those not in membership with us within the limits of Rhode Island and Sandwich Quarterly Meetings, which claiming the deliberate consideration of this meeting was fully united with and she left at liberty to accomplish the same as Truth may open the way. The Clerk is directed to endorse the substance of the above minute upon the certificate granted her by Sandwich Monthly Meeting. Jacob H. Burrington, Daniel Osborn, Walter Sawyer, David Fry, Daniel B. Hoag, and Timothy Hanson, are appointed a committee with whom she may advise in relation to the accomplishment of this prospect to which she has been liberated.

The time having expired for which the Treasurer of this meeting was appointed Jacob H. Burrington is appointed to that service the ensuing year and is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Yearly Meeting's Treasurer.

The business of ^{our} meeting being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Berwick in the eighth month next.

Chas. Thompson Clerk.

Jacob Patterson present

Martha Meader Certificate

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Quarterly Meeting of Grinnels held
at North Berwick Sept. 27th 1852.

By accounts received from our
several Monthly Meetings, the representatives are
for Dover, William Page, John Ham and Samuel
Dennis, for Berwick Nicholas Estes, Stephen
Buckins and John Whipple, for Sandwich Isidiah
Gulch, Moses Tarnsey and Noah Tarnsey who
are all present.

The assistant clerk being absent
Albert C. Buffum is appointed to that service
for the day.

The queries and answers received
from our Monthly Meetings have been read.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland
attended this meeting, with a minute of concurrence
from Rev. Beulah Lee. This meeting of the 22nd
last her company and gospel labors have been
edifying and encouraging to us.

Our esteemed friend Charles W. Howland
in company with his mother Susan Howland attended
this meeting with a minute of concurrence from
their Monthly Meeting New York and the present
month his company and deportment have been
satisfactory to us.

Several of our Yearly Meeting
Committee to visit subordinate meetings, are
acceptably in attendance with us and presented a
minute of their appointment which has been read.

Our beloved friend Lindley Murray
Esq, a minister in unity with us, spread before
this meeting a prospect of attending the annual Indiana
Yearly Meeting and of visiting in the love of the
gospel, friends and those not in membership
with us, in some places within the limits of these
Yearly Meetings, and in some places going and
returning to attend and appoint meetings as truth
may on the way, as expressed in a certificate

Susan Howland
present

Lindley M. Murray
Certificate

At our Yearly Meeting of FRIENDS for New-England, held on Rhode-Island in the sixth month, 1852.

To the Quarterly and Monthly Meetings—

The following Report of the Boarding School Committee is approved and adopted and the Clerk is directed to forward copies of it to our several subordinate meetings.

TO THE YEARLY MEETING :

The Committee for the superintendence of the Yearly Meeting Boarding School at Providence, report, that the objects of their appointment have received their attention. Meetings of the Committee have been held at the school-house monthly, and the schools have been visited in the intervals of these meetings by members of the Committee deputed to that service. The semi-annual examinations at the close of each term have also been attended by the Committee.

The deportment of the scholars, with few exceptions, has been orderly, and their improvement in their studies satisfactory, evincing industry on the part of the teachers and a commendable disposition on the part of the pupils to profit by the advantages enjoyed at the school.

Among the subjects of more particular concern with the Committee, has been that of enforcing the necessity of thoroughness in teaching and learning the rudimental parts of an English education—correct reading, spelling, and writing a good hand ; while more advanced studies, including the Latin, Greek and French languages, mathematics, &c., have been regularly taught.

A knowledge of the Holy Scriptures and of our religious principles and testimonies, so far as it may be imparted by school education, has been considered important, and its acquisition has been an object of concern and attention in the school ; and much labor has, from time to time, been bestowed to promote conformity to our well-known and consistent practice in relation to simplicity in dress and the use of the plain language.

The rules of the school in relation to these and other subjects, were, at the first meeting of the Committee the last year, revised, and having been printed, were directed to be furnished to each scholar on entering the school, and to the School Committees of the several Monthly Meetings ; and it is very desirable and important that Committees of Monthly Meetings should carefully consider, when they are applied to for certificates for scholars to be admitted to the school, of the fitness of such applicants as to their habits and moral standing, as well as docility and willingness to conform to the wholesome discipline and rules of the school ; and to grant certificates with due and proper discrimination in these respects.

The proposition of the School Committee to our last Yearly Meeting, in reference to the discontinuance of the holding of meetings for worship in the school-house, having been adopted by the Yearly Meeting, the subject was carefully deliberated upon by the School Committee at their meeting 7th month, 1st, and it was our conclusion that the meetings for worship in Providence should after that time, until the Committee should conclude otherwise, be considered the meetings for the scholars and family to attend.

We believe that advantages have resulted from this arrangement of much greater importance than sufficient to outweigh the difficulties sometimes experienced of all the family attending there. These difficulties have arisen chiefly in inclement weather, and when it would be improper for children, and particularly females, to walk the distance to the meeting in Providence. But the advantages are many and important : giving the children an opportunity to mingle, according to their several capacities, in religious concern, in a meeting for worship composed of many Friends with whom they are not associated at other times, and a meeting held in the public manner in which our society have always felt themselves bound to hold their meetings for religious worship.

During the last summer, under the care of the Committee having charge of repairs, new warming apparatus in the school-house, and other improvements, including a very complete arrangement for the supply of rain water, and its use in the facilities for bathing and washing in the eastern wing of the school-house have been made, and have been found beneficial in promoting the health and comfort of the family. Our late valued friend George Howland, kindly gave his personal attention and superintendence to this work during its progress, and farther manifested his interest in the prosperity and good of the Institution, by contributing liberally towards the expenditure in thus adding to the comforts and conveniences of the school.

At our meeting in the second month the Committee came to the conclusion that the Institution, having been in constant operation, with the short vacations, since its first opening in the year 1819, no sufficient time had been afforded to make that thorough repair and renovation of the house which the convenience, health and comfort of the family require ; and it appearing that alterations in some of the rooms, and several other matters of importance are necessary to be done, important advantages would be derived by vacating the school for the coming summer term, for a thorough repair and renovation of the school-house and appurtenances, the subject was laid before the Meeting for Sufferings for their advice in relation thereto. That meeting advised and consented that the school should be vacated until the time of the Yearly Meeting, for the proposed purposes, and that the subject of a longer vacation be then brought before the Yearly Meeting for their decision.

In the mean time a sub-committee has been authorized to

proceed with such of the proposed repairs and improvements as are earliest required, relying upon the approval of the Yearly Meeting and the liberality of Friends to supply the necessary means to defray the expenditure.

We have thought that at the present time it might be interesting and useful to remind Friends of the early concern of the Yearly Meeting in the establishment of a school for the "virtuous education" of the youth of our society, and briefly to advert to the progress of this engagement as manifested by a reference to the records of the Yearly Meeting and Meeting for Sufferings.

So far as we discover, the first minute that was made upon the subject in the Yearly Meeting was in the year 1779, when official information was called for from the subordinate meetings in relation to the state of education among them. The next year, 1780, after solid consideration, it was concluded to attempt the establishment of a school ; and it was recommended to "the several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings the promoting of free, liberal and voluntary subscriptions, donations, bequests and devises, adequate to the design and importance of the subject"—"and that it become the care of Friends in future, in all the Meetings, to promote, annually, subscriptions to be applied to the use of the school, until the income of the fund shall be sufficient, and so make such annual subscriptions unnecessary."

The subject was then committed to the care and management of the Meeting for Sufferings, which accordingly proceeded to take charge of the case, and entered vigorously upon the work. It was a time when Friends, in common with others, were laboring under many difficulties and embarrassments, in consequence of the war then existing between this country and Great Britain. Nevertheless, in 1782 the Meeting for Sufferings issued a powerful and extended printed address to Friends, in which they quote the memorable words of George Fox, when he expressed his concern that our children should be instructed in "whatsoever things were civil and useful in the creation."

This address was liberally responded to, considering the pecuniary situation of most of our members at that time, and from year to year, funds were raised and forwarded to the Meeting for Sufferings. Rhode Island Monthly Meeting contributed freely of the income of property in its possession. A room in the meeting-house at Portsmouth, R. I., was prepared for the reception of scholars, and the school was opened under the care of Isaac Lawton as teacher, in the 11th month, 1784.

A very judicious code of Rules and Regulations was prepared by the Meeting for Sufferings for the observance of the teacher and scholars, and in a minute on record, they say—"Besides the necessary literary instruction, the children are to be taught habits of regularity, of decency, of respectful subordination to their superiors, of forbearance, affection and kindness towards each other, and of religious reverence towards their Maker, and those habits of silence and recollection, taught and practised in the ancient schools, and inculcated in the Holy Scriptures."

The school appears to have been continued until the year 1788, when the funds being found to be inadequate for its support, they being chiefly applied to the board and instruction of the children of the poor, it was concluded best by the Yearly Meeting to vacate it for a time, or until some more adequate provision could be made for its support, and the funds on hand were placed on interest to be increased from time to time by subscriptions and donations.

The concern for re-opening the school was frequently revived in the Yearly Meeting, but it was not thought prudent to take any decided step towards its re-establishment until the following communication was received from our late valued friend Moses Brown, viz :

"PROVIDENCE, 4th of 5th mo. 1814.

TO THE MEETING FOR SUFFERINGS :

Dear Friends—As my feeble state of health prevents my attending the Meeting at this time, I thought best to inform you that in the course of my confinement by bodily indisposition for some time past, the subject of the Yearly Meeting's School has been renewedly brought under my consideration. And believing that a permanent institution for a guarded education of the rising generation will be promotive of their usefulness in society and the honor of truth, I have, for the furtherance of these desirable objects, concluded to give a tract of land on the west part of my homestead farm, containing about forty-three acres, for the purpose of erecting suitable buildings for the Boarding School thereon : provided the Meeting should consider it an eligible situation, and conclude to carry into effect the establishment of the benevolent institution thereon. If the Meeting should appoint a committee to view the ground, consider of the proposal and report their prospect to the next Meeting for Sufferings, which may be more generally attended, they can then act upon it, as it shall appear to them best. You will however dispose of the proposal in this or any other way that appears to you best. As treasurer of the School Fund, I may for your information mention, that its present amount is about nine thousand three hundred dollars. With desires that this important subject may be considered, and proceeded in in conformity to the mind of Truth, that we may hope for its blessing,

I conclude, your affectionate friend,

MOSES BROWN."

Subscriptions were now renewedly recommended Friends to for the purpose of proceeding in the establishment of the School upon a more extended plan and more permanent basis

than before, which were so liberally made, that in the sixth month 1815, it was concluded after mature deliberation, "that the time has come when it will be best to proceed in making provision for erecting buildings for the necessary accommodation of the Boarding School on the lot proposed to be given by our friend Moses Brown."

Friends very generally throughout the Yearly Meeting contributed according to their ability to promote an object which they felt to be very desirable for the interests of our religious society, and the necessary buildings being completed and properly furnished, the school was opened the 1st of 1st month, 1819.

While many might be enumerated who gave liberally towards its establishment and contributed annually for its support during the infancy of the institution, the following Friends have left bequests in their wills, which constitute a fund, by means of the income of which more than one half of the expense of each scholar who is a member of our Yearly Meeting is defrayed, viz: Thomas Folsom, Lydia Tillinghast, Sylvester Wickes, Obadiah Brown, Moses Brown, Amy Green and Abraham Shearman, Jr.

Since the School has been in operation subscriptions among a limited number of Friends have been several times made for specific objects, as the enlargement of the School buildings, the procuring of philosophical apparatus, &c. by which we believe much usefulness has been derived to the school.

There are now many improvements and repairs proposed—all very desirable and some absolutely necessary.

If the Yearly Meeting deems it proper to recommend a subscription for these purposes, we cannot doubt it will be entered into with cheerfulness and liberality. We trust there are none among us, who will not be disposed to do something for this institution—and however small may be the contribution, that some individuals may feel themselves able to make, it will be acceptable and will place them on the list of those, who, according to their ability, are benefactors to an institution, alike intended for the benefit of all—and the usefulness of which has already been extensively felt within our borders, and which we trust under the blessing of Divine Providence, will continue to be experienced not only in our day, but in succeeding generations.

We have had during the past year in the school, the services of our friends Silas and Sarah M. Cornell as Superintendents,—Charles Atherton and Moses C. Stevens as Teachers in the boys' school, with the addition of John Henry Crossman for the summer, and of William Foster Mitchell for the winter term.

Deborah Holway and Mary Ann Stanton have been engaged as teachers in the girls' school, assisted during the winter term by Sarah Alice Cornell.

Instruction in the Latin and Greek languages has been given during the summer term by George Pierce and the winter term by Charles F. Brownell.

Elizabeth Prosser has also, as last year, been engaged as Teacher of Drawing and has had the care of some of the younger scholars in both schools during the year. Instruction has also been given in the French language.

The average number of scholars has been 89, viz: 48 males and 41 females.

The accounts of the Superintendent and Treasurer of the School Fund have been audited.

The expenditures of the School for the year ending with the winter term, have been—

By Superintendent,	\$15,168 30
Interest and insurance paid by Treasurer,	159 17
	\$15,327 47
The income from the School Fund,	\$6,838 51
Balance in Treasurer's hands last year,	178 81
Hired of Manufacturers' Bank,	2,500 00
Advanced by the Treasurer,	51 85
	9,569 17
From Board, Tuition and other sources, including balance in Superintendent's hands last year,	6,034 95
	\$15,604 12
Leaving unexpended in Superintendents hands,	276 65
	\$15,327 47

From income of funds specially appropriated to the purpose, a further sum has been expended on the farm and premises, of \$390 00

We recommend that the terms of last year for board and tuition be continued—books and stationery being charged at actual cost, viz:—for members of our Yearly Meeting thirty dollars per term, for members of other Yearly Meetings, fifty dollars per term, and for children not members, one or both of whose parents are members of our Yearly Meeting, forty-five dollars per term, and that the same price be charged for any others who may be admitted; five dollars per term additional charge being made in all cases for instruction in the Latin and Greek languages, and the same charge for French. Payments to be made half at the commencement and half at the middle of each term.

That the amount to be appropriated the coming year for free board and tuition, be restricted to the amount of the income of the charitable fund. Monthly Meetings to send forward to the School Committee in the ninth and third months, the names and ages of such children, within their limits, as they may think suitable to receive the benefit of the fund and any information regarding them which may aid the School Committee, and the children to be received, to be selected by that committee. The condition of the bequest of the principal part of the charitable fund being in the words of the donor, "For the schooling of such members of the society as are actually poor, supported or not as such by the respective Monthly Meetings. Females to have equal advantages of the whole of the legacy as males."

We trust the cause of education, and the religious training of the youth of our society are held in unabated estimation by Friends. The children of our families are a sacred trust committed to our care, for whose culture in every sense a solemn responsibility attaches.

This institution for the guarded education of the youth of our society, which has been so much the object of the religious concern and care of Friends, and which has shared so largely in their liberality in its founding and support, will, we trust, continue to be the object of undiminished interest.

Signed on behalf and by direction of the School Committee.
STEPHEN A. CHASE, Clerk."

Providence, 6th month, 1st, 1852.

It appearing that there continues to be manifest deficiency in the recording of births, deaths and burials, this Meeting encourages Friends to greater care in this respect, and recommends that in each Monthly Meeting there should be an annual appointment not only of a Recorder but of a Committee, selected from each Preparative Meeting, to report births, deaths and burials to the Recorder; and the Clerk is directed to forward a copy of this minute to the several Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

The Committee to whom was referred the proposition from Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, in relation to marrying in the kindred by affinity, made the following Report, viz:—

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of a change of the discipline in relation to marriage, as proposed by Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, have considered the same, and are united in recommending that the provision of the discipline which prohibits the marriage of a deceased husband's brother, or a deceased wife's sister, should be rescinded.

For the Committee,

BENJAMIN FRY,
MARY SHOVE.

Newport, 6th mo. 17th, 1852."

Which is satisfactory, and with the unity of the Women's Meeting, that portion of our Discipline upon this subject, revived in 1830, is hereby repealed. The Clerk is directed to give the necessary information to our Subordinate Meetings, and they are requested to expunge the article referred to from our Books of Discipline.

The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the article of our discipline concerning burials, made the following report, viz:—

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the subject of some alteration in our Discipline relative to Burial Grounds—having given their attention thereto, recommend that the second paragraph on page 12th of our present Book of Discipline be rescinded and the following substituted.

Being very desirous that Friends should keep a commendable plainness and simplicity in the burial of the dead, as well as in other respects—it is the advice of this meeting that no monuments be set up in our burial grounds near or over the dead bodies of Friends, or others, except a plain stone not to exceed fifteen inches in height above the surface of the ground, on which no inscription shall be made other than the name, date of death and age of the deceased. And it is advised that the several Monthly Meetings take care that in these respects our testimonies be carefully maintained. And also to see that all burial grounds be properly enclosed.

On behalf of the Committee,

JOHN OSBORNE.

Newport, 6th mo. 18th, 1852."

—which being solidly considered, it is united with, and the article of our Discipline on the subject of Burials, on the 12th page, beginning with the words "and whereas Friends," and ending with the words "are decently enclosed," is, with the unity of the Women's Meeting, hereby repealed, and the paragraph proposed by the Committee is substituted therefor; and the Clerk is directed to furnish copies of this article to our several subordinate meetings, and they are requested to cause the same to be inserted in our Books of Discipline.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

granted him by a Sandwich Monthly Meeting, which
claiming the solid consideration of this meeting is
fully united with, and he left at liberty and
encouraged to pursue his prospect as best wisdom
may direct. The Clerk is directed to endorse the
substance of the above minute on his Certificate.

Three hundred and fifty copies of
the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting have
been received and distributed to our General Monthly
Meetings. We have also received hollow copies of the
extracts and report of the Boarding School Committee
one of which has been read, they are distributed to our
monthly Meetings.

Twenty five copies of the alterations of Discipline
have been received and are also distributed to our
subordinate meetings.

Received an Extract from
the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting by which it
appears that our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock
is one hundred and sixty dollars, the Clerk is directed
to forward to our General Monthly Meetings
their respective proportions as heretofore.

The business of the present meeting being
accomplished we adjourn intending to meet in
Sandwich the usual time in N. Mo. next.

Oliver Thompson Clerk

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Dear Quarterly Meeting of Friends
 Held at Berwick N. H. 28th 1851.

By accounts received from our
 several Monthly Meetings it appears that a
 large number of Friends are now leaving
 Berwick, New Hampshire, and going to
 towns for Berwick, Albert B. Buffum, & B. B.
 Buffum and Sarah Briggs, for Lindwood, &
 in the same manner in Lindwood, &
 all present.

Read the Minutes and the Minutes
 of the last year and the Minutes of the

The Assistant Clerk read the Minutes of
 the year 1850. The Committee on the
 the Committee was appointed last year to visit our
 friends, families &c. and they are now ready to report
 on the progress of their work and to report to next meeting.

Our Dear friend Lindley Murray Haggart is
 the certificate granted him in the first month last
 accompanied with a memorial, with a
 statement of his services from a time when he was
 attending at the school in the first month last
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Our beloved friend John Haggart attended this
 meeting with a minute of concurrence from the
 Monthly Meeting of the first month last in the first
 have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend John Haggart
 attended this meeting with a certificate of unity from the
 Monthly Meeting of the present month last in the first
 have been satisfactory to us.

directed to furnish them with the substance
of the above minutes and sign them on behalf of
this meeting.

We are informed that our friend
Susan Howland has attended all the
work in constituting this, and that the company
of friends who have attended the
work and our esteemed friend Charles Howland
in company with his mother Susan Howland
has attended all the societies constituting this, his
company and department have been satisfaction
to us. The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends
with the substance of the above minutes and
the minutes taken in their behalf at our last
meeting, and sign them on our behalf.

Our business being accomplished we are
dismissing to meet again in Rochester at the
usual time next first month next.

Chas. Thompson Clerk

At Town Quarterly Meeting of 1838.
met in Rochester. Sabbath 14th 1838.

By accounts received the representa-
tives to this meeting are for Town Samuel
Dennis, William Sage and Moses Roberts,
for Benning John Waples, for Benning
Edward C. C. for Benning John Waples,
Dennis, My and John Miller who is present.

The time having expired for
which the Clerk and Assistant Clerk were appoin-
ted, the representatives propose Chas. Thompson
for Clerk and John Miller for Assistant Clerk
which is carried with and they appointed to
their respective offices the ensuing year.

Monthly Meeting, satisfactory testimony given
 this respect. Monthly Meetings expressing
 with them as Ministers, and present
 religious engagements, were present and were
 their company and religious services have been
 satisfactory to us. We have also the accompaniment
 of a young man, formerly a student of the
 school as companion to his wife. Present also young
 man, Winslow companion to John H. Williams
 and Henry W. Minott as companion to his wife
 and C. Minott on whose fidelity satisfactory
 testimony has been received.

Our beloved friend, Timothy W.
 more reluctant at this time to leave home
 but in the end, he consented to go and
 about January 1st he arrived in the city of
 Kingston, and presented returning members from
 the Tania Yearly Meeting of Friends held by
 at New York from the 30th of July to the 5th
 of Aug. (inclusive) 1852.

From Salem Quarterly Meeting of Friends
 held at Salem Henry Co. Iowa, 11. Mo. 20th 1852.

From Tama River Monthly Meeting of Friends
 held at South River 11. Mo. 1852.

From the Monthly Meeting of Friends held at
 at Salem Henry Co. Iowa 11. Mo. 1852.

From the present time a meeting of Friends
 held 11. Mo. 1852.

From Spring Creek Monthly Meeting of
 Friends in the St. of Iowa held 11. Mo. 1852.

From East Grove Monthly Meeting of
 Friends held at East Grove Iowa 11. Mo. 1852.

Chas. H. H. H. H. H.

Records of the Society
Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Dorchester Nov. 28th 1853.

By accounts received
from our sister the Yearly Meeting at
Falmouth we are glad to hear that
they have been most kindly
served by the friends of the
Society and Stephen Jenkins for Sandwich
Island Society and Church of the
present.

The queries sent to the
Monthly Meetings have been read a number
of which are prepared for the ensuing Yearly
Meeting. Timothy Hanson Moses Roberts,
Samuel Buffum and Isaiah Fry are
appointed representatives there.

The time having been referred for
which the business of this meeting was referred
to the Yearly Meeting is appointed to be held
the coming year and it is desired to lay on
proposals of Yearly Meeting to the Yearly
Meetings Treasurer.

The Elders of Dorchester
Quarterly Meeting having requested the appointment
of a committee to advise with them in relation to
the appointment of a minister, and Jacob Vining, Elder
Samuel Dennis and Benajah Buffum are appointed
in connection with a committee of friends
to render them that service.

A communication is received from a
committee of Falmouth Monthly Meeting requesting
a committee to advise with them in relation
to the appointment of an Elder or Elders and
Timothy Hanson, Samuel Jacob H. Vining
and Walter Tupper are appointed to represent
the Yearly Meeting in connection with the
committee of friends of the Yearly Meeting.

8. In a few points we are not so careful -
 regard to the use of expressions by us as would be
 that in those of our friends of rank, but in the other
 members of this party, except one instance of
 frequenting places of public resort -

Good Morning - C. H.

Eighteenth

The Book is directed to furnish our grain
 extracts of the above minutes respectively, and also
 of the

This and the women's meeting
 united with Lower Monthly Meeting in action
 in the Ministry of Mary & T. Meader. And also
 of Benajah Buffum in the office
 of Benajah Buffum to the Station of an Elder.

By an extract from our last Yearly Meeting
 it appears that our proportion of Yearly Meeting
 is \$150.00, our Monthly Meetings are required
 to the Treasurer of this Meeting.

I received at this time 250 Copies of the
 printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting of 1840
 and directed to be distributed to the members of the
 churches of this year and also to the members of
 the Yearly Meeting of the Committee on
 to our Monthly Meetings, also 300 Copies of the same
 general to which have been received and are distributed
 to our members. Our beloved friend, Mahalia B. Foster
 has attended the meeting with a delightful & interesting
 which greatly edified the members and singing & prayer
 were most satisfactory to us.

The Annual Yearly Meeting was concluded yesterday
 and again in the afternoon at the annual meeting in the
 of the Yearly Meeting.

At our Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England, held on Rhode Island in the sixth month, 1846—

The Committee having the superintendence of the Boarding School at Providence presented their annual report, which was read; and while the care thus manifested by the Committee is satisfactory to this Meeting, yet, in view of the importance of the concern, and with desires that the greatest amount of good may be dispensed to the members of our religious Society from an Institution established, as we doubt not, in best wisdom, and endowed and cherished by beloved friends, deeply concerned for the promotion of truth and the preservation and guarded education of the children of this Society, we are induced now to appoint our friends * * * * * a Committee to take the whole subject into their solid consideration, and if, after careful deliberation, they are prepared to propose any change, either in the Committee or in the manner of their discharging the duties of their appointment, or to make any other suggestion that they apprehend will promote the interests of the Institution, they are requested to report the same to a future sitting of this Meeting.

At a subsequent sitting, the Committee to whom this subject was referred presented the following report, viz:—

“ TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

“ The Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the report of the School Committee, and who were requested to make any suggestions that they might deem important in relation to the welfare of the School and promotion of the best interests of the Institution, report :

“ That they have given to the subject their careful deliberation, and are united in making the following propositions to the Yearly Meeting, viz. :

“ In order to effect a more direct responsibility on the part of those appointed by the Yearly Meeting to superintend the School, and to induce greater efficiency of action in the direction and management of its affairs, we would propose that a small Committee of twelve of each sex should be appointed by the Yearly Meeting, to whom should be committed the care and superintendence of the Institution, six of whom (three of each sex) should be released from the charge and six others substituted annually. These six should be eligible to reappointment after one year, and the others to continue to be released in rotation, from year to year.

“ It should be understood that this Committee should give their personal attention closely to the School, and should meet there monthly and appoint of their number such as they should deem proper to have the more immediate charge thereof during the recess of their meetings. They should visit the Schools to know for themselves their true state, by attending them during school hours, and by witnessing, advising, and directing in relation to the process of instruction, and they should judge of the standing and progress of the children, and enter into free intercourse with them and their teachers. They should advise with and direct the Superintendents respecting the expenditures and domestic management of the family, and endeavor to feel and exercise an individual interest in the various concerns of the Institution.

“ We would also propose that the Yearly Meeting should appoint a General Committee on the subject of education, to be composed of Friends from the several Quarterly Meetings, to promote the guarded education of our children, both in the Boarding School and in Monthly Meeting, Preparative Meeting and family schools, in accordance with the concern long felt by the Yearly Meeting. This Committee on Education should meet and consult with the School Committee at the time of our Yearly Meeting at Newport, and also at the School at the time of the examination in the tenth month at the close of the summer term. Both Committees should freely communicate with each other, and thereby endeavor to promote the guarded, religious education of the youth of our Society. The whole to be subject to the control and direction of the Yearly Meeting annually.

“ On behalf of the Committee,

“ ROWLAND GREENE,
“ SOPHRONIA PAGE.

“ *Newport, 6th mo. 18th, 1846.*”

—Which was fully considered and united with, and the propositions therein contained adopted by the Meeting; and the same Friends who presented the report were requested to produce to our

next sitting the names of suitable Friends to constitute the two Committees proposed to be appointed by this Meeting.

The report of the Boarding School Committee for the past year being approved was directed to be recorded and transmitted by the Clerk to our Quarterly and Monthly Meetings.

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING.

"The Boarding School Committee report, that they have endeavored the past year to discharge the duties entrusted to them by the Yearly Meeting in superintending the concerns of the Institution.

"Religious meetings have been regularly held in the house except during the vacations. The average number of scholars the past year has been eighty-four. The schools have been examined at the close of each term by a committee appointed for the purpose, from whose reports it appears that the evidence afforded of diligence and proficiency on the part of the pupils, and ability and faithfulness on that of the teachers, were satisfactory and encouraging. Instruction continues to be given in the languages when desired on the same conditions as heretofore, to wit, five dollars a term additional charge.

"The Treasurer's and Superintendents' accounts have been examined and settled, by which it appears that the income of the School for the last year has been \$9,534 93, and the expenditures \$11,131 39; leaving a balance in the treasury of \$2,886 74.

"We would propose that the terms for board and tuition be the same as last year, to wit, thirty dollars a term for members of this Yearly Meeting, forty-five dollars for those who are not members, one or both of whose parents are members, and fifty dollars for members of other Yearly Meetings, books and stationery being furnished as at present. We would also propose that each Monthly Meeting have the privilege of sending one scholar a term free of expense, as last year, and that they occupy this privilege either in the winter term or in the summer term next succeeding; and the Monthly Meetings are desired, should they deem it best not to send a scholar till the summer term, to inform the Acting Committee at its meeting in the tenth month.

"Our friends Olney and Lydia Thompson are engaged as Superintendents, and Charles Atherton, Samuel Austin, and Edward Hoag as teachers in the boys' school, and Mary Atherton and Gertrude Whittier in the girls'. David C. Chace was employed during the winter term as an assistant in the boys' department, and Elizabeth Prosser during the year in the girls'. William Nicholson was also employed as a teacher in the boys' school during the summer term of the past year.

"Since our last report, the Committee have made several valuable additions to the philosophical apparatus belonging to the Institution.

"Although the number of scholars has been somewhat larger during the past than the preceding year, yet the Committee regret that no more of the children of Friends enjoy the advantages which the Institution affords for a thorough school education, free in good measure from the corrupting influences of the world. The improved condition of schools, both public and private, within the limits of New England, may seem to have diminished the necessity of placing our children in the Boarding School; but we believe that most of these schools will be found to exercise an influence adverse to the simplicity and purity of our Christian profession, and many of them to expose the susceptible minds of our youth to those corrupting associations from which it has ever been the concern of Friends carefully to guard them. The religious concern for the guarded education of our children, which the principal donors to the school fund uniformly manifested, we hope will be steadily borne in mind by all those upon whom devolve the parental care and guardianship of the young; that the substantial advantages so liberally placed within their reach may be reaped to greater extent in time to come.

"Signed by direction and on behalf of the School Committee,

"JONATHAN L. SLOCUM, Clerk.

"Boarding School, 5th mo. 8th, 1846."

The Committee to whom it was referred to produce to this Meeting the names of suitable Friends to constitute a School Committee, propose the following, to wit:

"Perez Peck, Samuel Boyd Tobey, John Meader, Samuel Taylor, Jr., John Osborne, Joseph Metcalf, Samuel Boyce, John D. Lang, William A. Robinson, Stephen A. Chace, David Buffum, Rowland Greene.

"Elizabeth Meader, Eliza B. Boyce, Sarah F. Tobey, Lydia Congdon, Sophronia Page, Susan Howland, Joanna Peck, Eunice Metcalf, Ann Elmira Lang, Eliza A. Osborne, Mary Shove, Mary B. Allen."

—Which being satisfactory, they are appointed a Committee to act on our behalf in the care and superintendence of the Boarding School, agreeably to a proposal adopted by this Meeting yesterday; and they are requested to render such personal attention at the Institution as they may be able to do, giving such advice and directions in the various concerns thereof as they may deem calculated to promote its interests in accordance with the original concern of this Meeting in establishing a school for the guarded, religious education of the youth of our Society, and report to this Meeting next year.

The following Friends (being two of each sex from each Monthly Meeting) are proposed to constitute a Committee on Education, to wit:—

"Rhode Island Quarter"—Moses H. Beede, Jethro F. Mitchell, Timothy C. Collins, Benjamin Greene, Jervis Shove, Thomas S. Gifford, Gilbert Congdon, James Dennis.

"Elizabeth Wing, Mary Williams, Laura L. Chase, Sarah Slade, Elizabeth Peckham, Free-love Greene, Mary W. Smith, Anna T. Dennis.

"Salem"—William H. Chase, Nathan Breed of Lynn, Moses Huntington, Jr., Newell Ordway, Herrod Chase, Joshua Page.

"Elizabeth H. Chase, Mary E. Breed, Elizabeth Gove, Susan L. Brown, Alice Page, Anna Johnson.

"Sandwich"—George Howland, Jr., Charles R. Tucker, Newell Hoxie, Ebenezer Wing, William Mitchell, Abraham R. Wing, George Almy, George W. Francis, John Macomber, Adna Davis, Calvin Shepherd, Moses F. Rogers.

"Sarah Anthony, Dorcas F. Tucker, Rebecca C. Hoxie, Mercy H. Wing, Sarah Barnard, Lydia Mitchell, Mary Gifford, Phebe R. Gifford, Barbary Gifford, Rebecca Church, Sarah J. Brown, Mary Shepherd.

"Falmouth"—Abraham Winslow, Joseph Cartland, Nathan Pope, Lemuel Jones of Windham, Caleb Jones, Henry M. Minot, Nathan Douglas, Lemuel Jones of Brunswick.

"Mary Bracket, Susan P. Cartland, Lydia Allen, Sarah W. Pope, Lydia H. Jones, Jane C. Minot, Eunice J. Rich, Maria B. Jones.

"Smithfield"—Arnold Aldrich 2d, Thomas Grover, Edward Earle, Paul Wing, John E. Frye, David Badcock.

"Catharine Comstock, Abigail Inman, Ann B. Earle, Elizabeth Southwick, Rachel F. Holder, Sarah C. Frye.

"Vassalboro'—Moses Taber, Thomas B. Nichols, Eli Jones, Lot Jones, Joseph Taber, Asa Jones.

"Lydia P. Frye, Theodate S. Pope, Mary Cook, Mary R. Jones, Deborah B. Warren, Jane H. Jones.

"Dover"—Benjamin Frye, Stephen Beede, Walter Sawyer, Benjamin H. Jones, Benajah Buffum, Peter M. Neal.

"Abigail Beede, Sarah Hoag, Abigail M. Hanson, Hannah G. Sawyer, Hannah Morrill, Lydia C. Neal.

"Fairfield"—Joseph Taylor, George Richardson, Alden Sampson, Jacob Pope, Daniel R. Bailey, David Douglas.

"Olive Wing, Lydia Taylor, Sarah T. Sampson, Luey J. Hawkes, Phebe Bailey, Chloe Douglas."

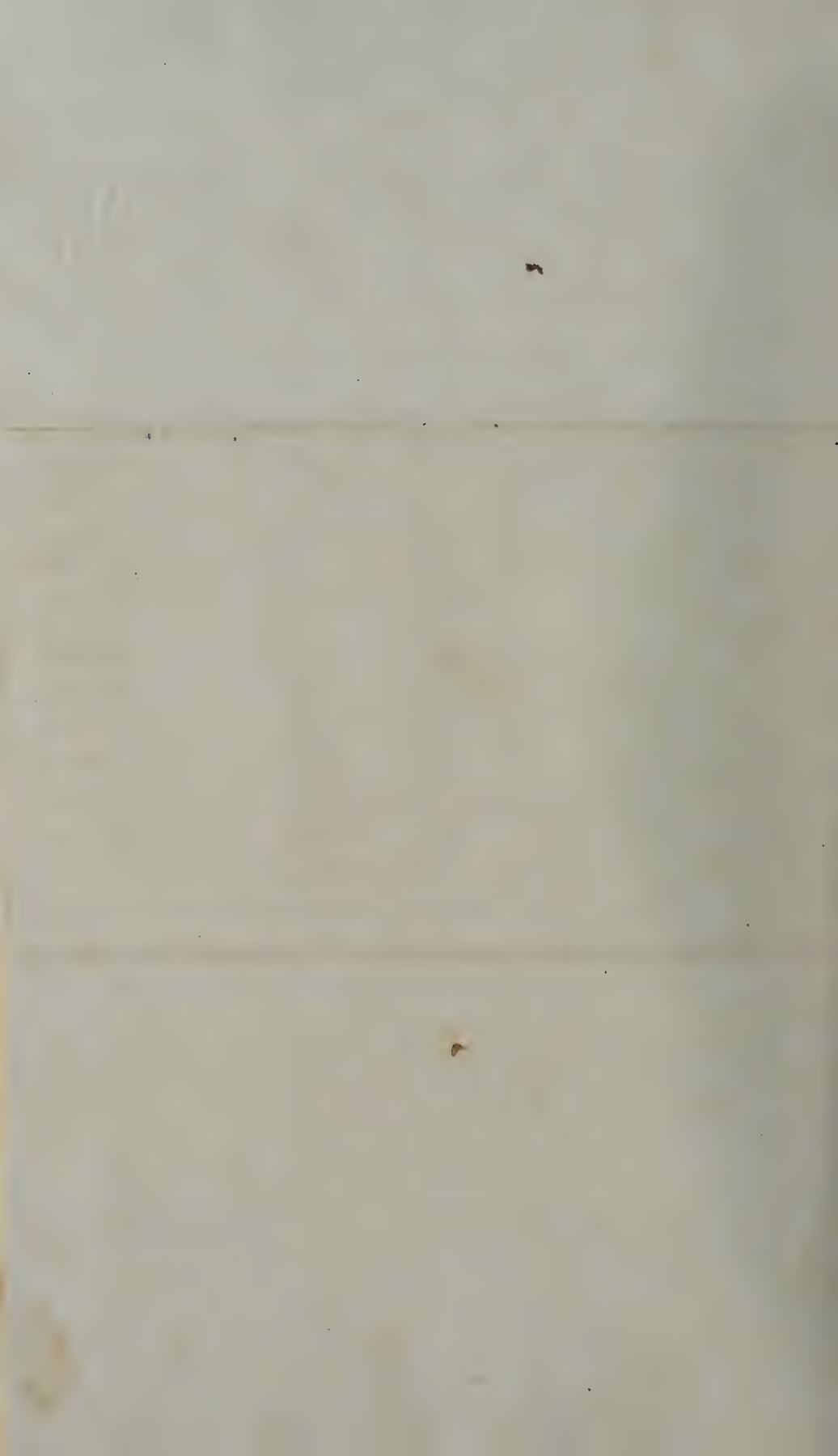
—Who are satisfactory to this Meeting, and they are appointed to attend to the general service of promoting the guarded education of our youth, particularly as indicated in the minute made yesterday, proposing such an appointment, and they are requested to report to this Meeting next year. The Clerk is directed to make the necessary extracts from our minutes on these subjects, and forward them, together with the names of the Committees now appointed, to our subordinate Meetings.

Signed by direction of the Yearly Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, *Clerk.*

HANNAH GOULD, Jr., *Clerk.*

NOTE.—Wingate Frost, Limmington, Maine, is appointed correspondent of Limmington Monthly Meeting.



At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Sandwich N. H. No. 27th 1853.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representation to this Meeting are for Dover Eliza Thompson, Tobias Madder and John Mader. for Berwick Sarah Fry, Albert C. Buffum and Benjamin Buffum, for Sandwich Joshua Folsome, Samuel Dennis, and Jonathan Wingate, who are present.

The queries and answers from our Monthly Meetings have been read.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Mader attended this meeting with a certificate of Concurrence from Providence Meeting held No. 25th 1853. Her company and Gospel labours have been satisfactory to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of the above minutes and sign it on behalf of this meeting.

Our business being accomplished we conclude intending to meet again in Rochester in the first Mo. next.

Eliza Thompson Clerk.

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1st Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Rochester 25th of 1st Mo 1854.

By accounts received from our several
Monthly Meetings the Representatives to
this Meeting are See Doose Tobias Meade
Daniel Meade and Joseph M. Hanson,
for Sandwich Edward Evans, David Sage
and Paul Huggins for Sandwich Rose
Carney Alvin Hoag and Noah Carney,
who are present except one.

The time having expired for
which the Clerk of this Meeting were
appointed, the Representatives propose
Olney Thompson for Clerk and John
Meade for Assistant Clerk both for
the day. They are accordingly appointed
to those services.

Our Beloved Friend William Henry
Chace attended this Meeting with a
Certificate from Saipia Monthly Meeting
held 12th 14th 14th 1853, Enclosed by Saipia
Quarterly Meeting of 1st Mo 1st 1854.

His company and Gospel labors have
been satisfactory to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish him
with a copy of the above Minutes and sign
it in our behalf.

The Queries and the required answers have
been read. The time having expired
for which the Quarterly Meeting's Committee
were appointed; they are continued in service
agreeably to their appointment, to next meetings.

Our Business being closed we conclude proposing
to meet again in Dover, at the usual time in the
4th Mo next.

Olney Thompson Clerk

At Dover Dover Quarterly Meeting is business
held at Dover 27th of 4th Mo 1854.

By accounts received from our several Monthly
Meetings the representatives to this meeting are for Dover
Tobias Meader Stephen Jenkins & John Meader for
Newick Stephen Jenkins, William S. Jones & Joseph Brackett
for Sandwich Ezra Gould, Mrs Hoag, & Daniel B. Hoag, who
are present except one.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were
appointed, the representatives proposed John Meader for Clerk
and Benajah Ruffman for Assistant Clerk, which being considered
is voted with and they are appointed to said services, respectively
the ensuing year.

The Queries and the answers from our Monthly
Meetings have been read a Summary of which has been
prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting and we appoint
Ezra Bangs, Sarah Hoag, Benajah Ruffman & Ezra Gould
representatives to said Yearly Meeting.

The time having expired for which the Treasurer to
this Meeting was appointed, Jacob K. Purinton is appointed
to that service the ensuing year.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion
of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly
Meeting.

Our beloved Friend Edward Fox attended
this Meeting with a certificate of concurrence from
Seabrook Monthly Meeting held at West Newbury 6th of 4th Mo.
1854 his company and religious services have been
satisfactory to us.

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Our Beloved Friend Huldah A. Meader attended this Meeting with a satisfactory Certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting of 1st Mo. 25. Endorsed by Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting held at Providence 2nd of 2nd Mo 1854.

The company and religious Services have been satisfactory to us

The Clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with the substance of the above minutes and sign them on behalf of this meeting.

The Committee to visit Meetings, Families &c presented the following report which is accepted

To the Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be held at Dover 4th Mo 27th 1854

The Committee appointed in the 5th Mo 1853 to visit individuals, families and Meetings as may be open for and circumstances require, inform that they have not been unmindful of their appointment but have bestowed some labor to a degree of satisfaction.

4th Mo 27, 1854

Signed in behalf of the Committee

Joseph Tuttle

Kinnajah Buffum

Whizabell Hanson

Cynthia Buffum

This Meeting is visited in appointing Timothy Hanson Joseph Tuttle, Kinnajah Buffum, Sarah Price, Tobias Meader, Moses Roberts, Ezra Gould and Stephen Buda a Committee to unite with one of women friends to visit Meetings, families and individuals as may be open.

for it and send them to report on before the end of one year.

Our Beloved Friend Lindley M. Hoag, returned the certificate granted in the W. Mo. 1850 & is informed this Meeting that he had been favored to accomplish the visit to the peace and satisfaction of his own mind and presented the following
 determine certificate from the two Month Meeting held in Stavanger, Kingdom of Norway, 5th of 12th Mo. 1853.

To Sandwich Monthly Meeting, State of New Hampshire Dover Quarterly Meeting and the Yearly Meeting for Ministers and Elders of New England.

Our dear friend and Gospel Minister Lindley Murray Hoag having so faithfully labored in the service of the Gospel here in this country, we feel it our duty as well as interest to testify unto you our beloved Brethren that it has pleased the Lord of the harvest largely to bless this servants gospel labor, not only with friends and others here in Stavanger but in many other parts of Norway, where blessed fruits have already appeared to the honor and praise of Him who is the head over all and to the joy and satisfaction of our little society in this country. It would be too pretentious here to enumerate all the proofs we have had of our friends diligent working in his Masters cause for scarcely has a single day passed without his having had a Meeting since his coming to this country and often two Meetings a day and besides had to travel many miles the same

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day in hard weather, over high mountains and difficult roads and over seas in stormy weather and darkness of the night and suffering also from inclement night lodgings, sleeping on straw and upon the bare floor with many other inconveniences; all this has not hindered our friend from performing what he believed ^{himself} called upon to do and especially remarkable has it been that at those places which he has felt himself drawn to visit there have appeared fruits in a large measure. We have therefore great occasion to esteem him highly as an eminent instrument in the Lord's hand for his excellent gift, the soundness of his doctrine the animating that has accompanied his preaching, affecting the conversion of many of the way of truth, comforting the afflicted, encouraging the sincere mourners, have watered the Lord's heritage in these parts, so that the standard of truth has been exalted the name of the Lord praised and Christ's Church and his cause promoted, which we are with grateful hearts led to acknowledge.

We have to confess that on account of outward circumstances amongst us we have not been able to render our friend the assistance in this respect which we could desire and we know that the many long and difficult voyages have been expensive and our means not here so as to relieve those costs yet we may say that we would consider it a joy return it highly if we could cooperate in such a work of the Lord; and we doubt not that you dear

Friends who have been so ready and willing to cooperate ⁱⁿ assisting your friend in this respect will not lose your reward; for we can say that the economical and simple way in which he has here contrived to proceed has been very exemplary to all and a means of rendering the expenses comparatively small.

And now we feel our hearts unitedly lifted up to our Heavenly Father in prayers that our dear friend whose useful and effectual service will be long remembered by many amongst us may be permitted after finishing labor in his Master's service in foreign lands to reach his home in peace and find his family and friends in the enjoyment of God's peace and blessing we having to witness from heartfelt conviction that he has left behind him a good sower in this country for the Lord and his people.

On behalf of the two Monthly Meetings of Friends held in Stavanger on the 5th day of 12 Mo 1853 signed by Endre Dahl

Our business being accomplished we conclude proposing to meet at North Berwick on the 8th Mo next.

John Meader Clerk

All Deer Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 8 Mo 25. 1854

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives to this Meeting are for Deer Timothy Hanner, John Meader and Saml Austin for Berwick Stephen Perkins Amasa Carney John Huppy for Wandsworth Samuel Linnin, Robert Carney and Ezra Meader who are all present.

The business and answers received from our Monthly Meetings have been read.

Received several copies of the report of the Searding School Committee, also an extract from the Yearly Meeting, one of which has been read

By an extract from our last Yearly Meeting it appears that our proportion of Yearly Meeting Work is \$180.00 Our Monthly Meetings are requested to forward their respective proportion as heretofore to the Treasurer of this Meeting and the Clerk is directed to forward to the Monthly Meetings their respective proportions

Our Beloved Friends in attendance with us with certificates of concurrence from their respective Meetings is: John L. Edgemoor from Greenwich Monthly Meeting held in Huron County - Chic 17. of 3rd Mo 1854 Endorsed by Mann Creek Quarterly Meeting held at Fitch 27. of 3rd Mo 1854

Josh Buttery from Ferrisburgh Monthly Meeting held at Montpelier Vermont 3rd of 5th Mo 1854 Endorsed by Ferrisburgh Quarterly Meeting 10. of 5th Mo then company and religious services have been satisfactory to us

The Clerk is directed to furnish the above named friends with the substance of copies of the above minutes and sign them on behalf of this Meeting

The representatives appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting inform they attended

Received 400 copies of the London general epistle for 1853 which are directed to be distributed to the Monthly Meetings by the representatives

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude suspending to meet at Sandwich in the tenth month next

John Maden Clerk

Gentle & Mead 1850.

At Once, Quarters, calling of Friends held at 10. Messrs.
By the accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings, the representatives
to this Meeting were: Mr. Jacob M. Huntington, Daniel Meader,
and Hanson Meader for Benewick, Amasa Farnes, Benjamin
Bushman and William Sisson for Concord, & Ezra Meader,
Friedrich Wicks and Joshua Hoag who are present for the day.

Our Clerk being absent, Stephen Burt is ^{appointed} for
the day.
We have read the Minutes with the answers received from
our several Monthly Meetings.

Our beloved friend Benjamin
Hosmer attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory
Minute of Conference from Salem Monthly Meeting. Whose
Companions and religious services have been satisfactory to us.
Also our beloved friend Elizabeth Paige attended this
Meeting and presented a like Minute of Conference from
Worcester Monthly Meeting. Her Companions & religious services
have been satisfactory. And the Clerk is directed to
furnish them with copies of the above Minutes.

Oliver Hill, Daniel Meader, Jacob M. Huntington,
Benjamin Bushman, Frank Farnes and William Sisson are
appointed to take into consideration the propriety of
making a new apportionment of the expenses of this Meeting
to other Monthly Meetings, and if way should open for it
present our report to next Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we
do conclude proposing to meet again at Rochester at
the usual time in the first Month next.

Stephen Burt Clerk for the day

First Month 1855

At Deer Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Rochester 1st Mo 23rd 1855.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives to this Meeting are
Timothy Brown, Elias Hurd, and
Jacob H. Huntington, for Berwick Moses H. Hussy
James D. Dwyer, and Sarah Dwyer, for Manchester
Ezra Gould, Peter F. Dwell, & Lyndly B. Hoag
for our friends at Rochester.

The Clerk being absent the representatives propose
that R. Dwyer clerk for the day, which being unopposed
he is accordingly appointed.

We have read the Minutes with the answers from our
several Monthly Meetings.

Our beloved Friend Amos Hansen, attended this
Meeting with a certificate of concurrence from the
Monthly Meeting of Friends held 11th Mo 14th 1854, his conduct
and religious views have been satisfactory to us. The Clerk
is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute
and sign on behalf of this meeting.

A minute has been received at this time in favor
of Lyndly B. Hoag from the Yearly Meeting of Friends
held at Andover held in London by adjournment on
1st & 23rd of 3rd mo 1854 expressive of their unity with
him in his religious services with them, and in
this application is satisfactory to us.

The committee appointed on 1st Mo last
take into consideration the propriety of making a
new appropriation of the expenses of this meeting
to our monthly meetings inasmuch as they have taken
some care on the subject but are not ready
to report, the committee is continued.

conclude purposing to meet again at Year at the usual time in 4th mo next

Abner C. Buffum Clerk for the day

At Year Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
Cover 26th of 4th mo 1855

By accounts received from our several
monthly meetings the representatives to this meeting
are for Cover Timothy Thompson Walter Surry &
Solias. Reader for Bristol Isaiah May & Miss Larny
William Johnson & Benajah Buffum for Sandwich
Leah Varney Joshua Hoag & Oliver Will who are
present except two -

The time having expired for which
the church are appointed the day of next
purpose Benajah Buffum for clerk and Abner C.
Buffum for assistant clerk for the day - which
being considered is united with and they are appointed
accordingly.

The Queries and The answers received from our
several Mo Meetings have been read, a summary
of which has prepared for the ensuing Year
later and we appoint Benajah Buffum
Erat Good Jacob K. Smith & Oliver Will
Timothy Surry representatives thereto.

General Answers

Answer 1st With the exception of our small
meeting (which has been omitted a few times)
all our meetings have been attended - and
by the greater part of our members. That they
are much neglected by some especially in the
middle of the week the house filled with
observing. Cases of unbecoming behavior
except a few instances of sleeping. Some
taken in the delinquencies.

Ans 2. We think there to a good degree of
unity maintained by meetings though they
are apparently wanting in some instances
direction given to a few individuals

Ans 3rd Friends with a few exceptions appear to be careful to bring up their cases the direction in plainness & to restrain their former passionate feelings & angry conversation and to be peaceable & serene themselves.

We believe the story & letters are frequently read in friends families.

Ans 4th. We think friends are careful in regard to the use of spirituous liquors, except some instances of using them otherwise than for medicine. Except in the other parts of this case some instances of frequenting places of public resort. Some have taken the 5th Course in these respects as far as appears.

Ans 5th Careful as far as appears, except some instances of being company in order for marriage & these instances of marrying and being married in such places & manner. Friends to be careful to maintain unanimity in these respects.

Ans 6th Friends careful in these respects, though there is some neglect in timely settling accounts.

Ans 7th Careful as to records - a few instances of removal without perfecting some case later.

Ans 8th Care has been taken to deal with offenders very kindly in good measure as usual though we are sensible of our deficiencies in time & ability to labor. No charge of complaint in regard to placing judgments.

Our beloved friend David Morgan attended his meeting with a satisfactory certificate of conversion from Newberry Co. Meeting held at the same place on the 2nd of Decr 1853. endorsed by East Creek Quarterly Meeting held at East Creek on the 10th of Decr 1853. His company & religious services have been satisfactory to us and the West is directed to furnish him with a copy of this Minute and sign it on behalf of this Meeting.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting stock to the Treasurers of the Yearly Meeting.

The Committee on the 2^d Mo. last to visit the families and individuals report they have not been mindful of their appointment but have bestowed some labor as may be apparent by the following list.

We are united in the appointment of Jesse Jones, Joseph Tuttle, Timothy Hanson, Jacob W. Winton, Ezra Gould, Noah Varney & Samuel Horn a Committee to unite with a similar Committee of the Yearly Meeting, to visit the Committee and individuals, and render such advice as may open for, and report to this Meeting in the 4th Mo. next year.

The Committee under appointment to consider the propriety of making a new appropriation of the stock of this Meeting among our several Mo. Meetings report, that they have appropriated to Ladies Mo. Meeting of 1840, \$100.00 to Sandwich Mo. Meeting of 1840, \$100.00 and our Monthly Meetings are requested to procure the sum of \$100.00 of this money their several proportions monthly.

This meeting is united in suggesting to the Yearly Meeting the propriety of making a new appropriation among the Landers of the money necessary to be raised for the use of the Yearly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at 10 o'clock at the usual time in the 6th Mo. next.

Bonafide Duffman Clerk for the day

Eighth month 1855

At our Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at North Berwick 124th of 8th Mo. 1855

By the accounts received from our several
Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting
are for Dover - Jacob K Burdett, John Estes, and
Samuel Canning for Berwick - Jacob K Burdett, H. Isaac
Soy and H. H. Jenkins for Sandwich - Oliver
H. H. K. Burdett and Oliver Mendenhall
we present except two for the absence of one of
whom a satisfactory reason was assigned

The time for which the Clerks were ap-
pointed being expired the Representatives pro-
posed Benjamin Buffum for Clerk and Albert Buffum
for Assistant Clerk, which being united with by the
Meeting, they are appointed for those services for the
ensuing year.

Our beloved friend Jacob H. Vining attends
this Meeting and has secured a satisfactory testimony
of concurrence from Swansea Mo. Meeting dated
5th Mo. 28th 1855. This company and religious services
have been acceptable to us, and the Clerk is desired
to furnish him with a copy of this minute and signifi-
cation in behalf of this meeting.

The Queries and their required answers received
from our several Mo. Meetings have been read at this

Meeting. Those appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting
inform they all attended except one, who rendered a
satisfactory reason for his non attendance.

Received 400 copies of the London General Epistle
which have been distributed amongst our several Mo.
Meetings.

Recd. copies of the Report of the Boarding School Committee
one of which has been read at this time.

Also received 250 copies of extracts from the minutes
of our last Yearly Meeting, which are directed to be distributed
amongst our members.

By an extract from the minutes of our last Yearly
Meeting it appears that our proposition of having a Yearly
Meeting at N. B. which is directed to be appointed to our Mo. Meetings in
accordance with the decision of our last Quarterly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude
intending to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time on
the 18th Mo. next.

Benjamin Buffum Clerk

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Sandwich 25th of 10th Mo. 1855.

By the accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are for Dover Tobias Meader, Cyrus Samps and Timothy Tinson, for Norwich John Hussey, Albert D. Buffum, Benjamin Buffum and Isaiah Day, for Sandwich Jonathan Briggs, Jeddediah Hatch and Russell Hoag who are present except one -

Our beloved friend James Jones attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate of concurrence from China Mo. Meeting held at S. China 14th of 8th Mo. 1855. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute and sign it up behalf of the Meeting -

Our beloved friend Eunice Day attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate of concurrence from Windham Monthly Meeting held 28th of 7th Mo. 1855. Her company and religious services have been satisfactory to us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute and sign it on behalf of the Meeting -

Our beloved friend George P. Day attended this Meeting ^{in company with his wife} and produced a satisfactory Certificate of concurrence from Windham Mo. Meeting held at Windham 28th of 7th Mo. 1855. His company and deportment have been satisfactory to us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute and sign it on behalf of the Meeting.

Shil Queris, with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings have been read at this time.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude intending to meet again at Rochester at the usual time in the first Month next.

Benajah Buffum Clerk

First Month 1856

4th Lower Quarterly Meeting of friends held at
Dorchester 24th of 1st Mo. 1856

The accounts received from our several Monthly
Meetings the representatives to this Meeting are for
Lower Tobias Meador Timothy Hanson & Henry Varney
for Warwick Elijah Varney Joseph Pratt and Saml
Taylor for Dorchester John Smith Noah Varney and
Russell Hays who are all present

Our beloved friend David Dudley attended this
Meeting & produced a certificate from Litchfield Monthly
Meeting held at Manchester 10 Mo. 26-1855 expressing unity
with him as a minister and with his present religious
engagement. His companions and religious services have been
satisfactory and encouraging to us. The Clerk is directed
to furnish him with a copy of this minute and sign it
on behalf of the meeting.

Our beloved friend Joseph Pratt attended this meeting
and produced a certificate from Unity Mo. Meeting held 10 Mo.
18th 1855 expressing unity with him as a minister and with
his present religious engagement. His companions and religious
services have been satisfactory and encouraging to us. The
Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute and
sign it on behalf of the meeting.

Our beloved friend Joseph Taylor attended this meeting
in company with our beloved friend David Dudley and produced
a certificate of concurrence from Sidney Mo. Meeting held
at Belgrade 11 Mo. 27th 1855. His companions and solid deportment
have been satisfactory to us. Also our beloved friend Joseph
Tabor attended this meeting in company with our beloved
friend Joseph Pratt and produced a certificate from
Unity Mo. Meeting held 12 Mo. 20th 1855. His companions and
solid deportment have been satisfactory to us. The Clerk
is directed to furnish him with copies of the above minutes
and sign them on behalf of the meeting.

The Minutes, with answers received from our
several Mo. Meetings have been read at this time and
the several deficiencies brought to view by the reading of the
answers have drawn forth much salutary counsel from
friends in attendance with us.

A communication is received from a committee of Lower Mo.
Meeting requesting a committee to advise with them in relation
to the appointment of an Elder or Elders, and are appointed
Stephen Beebe, Noah Varney and Benajah Buffum a committee
with ^{one} ~~some~~ of the women friends to render them that service.
Our business being accomplished at this time we came into
intending to meet again at Dover in the fourth month next

Benajah Buffum Clerk

David Dudley
presentJoseph Pratt
presentJoseph Taylor
presentJoseph Tabor
present

Fourth Month 1856

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1st Dover Quarterly Meeting is watched
at Dover 24th of 4th Mo. 1856

By the accounts received from our several Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are
for Dover Jacob & Pardon John Estes and Daniel
for Sandwich Stephen Jenkins, George Nichols and
Elijah Varney, for Sandwich Moses Hoag, Ezra
Gould and Peter F. Smith who are all present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with
answers received from our several Mo. Meetings a Summary
of which is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting,
and we appoint for Representatives there, Tobias Meader
Benajah Buffum, Isaac Joy and John Estes.

The time having expired for which the Treasurer
of this Meeting was appointed we appoint Daniel Estlin
to the service the coming year.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion
of Yearly Meeting stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

This and the women's Meeting have united with
Dover Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Thibe M.
Meader to the station of an Elder and the Clerk is directed
to give the necessary information.

Our beloved friend Abigail M. Thibbe is a minister in unity
with us spread before this Meeting a prospect which had for
a long time rested on her mind of attending in the name of the
Gasful, the Yearly Meetings of New York, Ohio and Indiana
of performing extensive religious service within their limits
and of appointing some meetings amongst friends and others
as expressed in the within certificate granted her by
Dover Mo. Meeting, which after a time of solid deliberation
was fully united with and she left at liberty and encoura-
ged to pursue her prospect as Truth may open the
way, and the Clerk is directed to indorse the substance
of this minute on her certificate and sign it on behalf
of the Meeting.

The Committee to visit Meetings, families &c. and
present the following report which is satisfactory
and the same Committee ~~are~~ continued as a committee
and requested to attend to the objects of their appoint-
ment and report to the Meeting in the 5th Mo. next year.

Fourth Month 1836

* So Care, Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be held 4th Month 24th 1836

The Quarterly Meetings Committee appointed in the 4th Mo 1835 report, that since their appointment they have rendered some advice & assistance in some cases they believe in a measure consistent with their appointment, which they submit.

On behalf of the Committee
Dover 4th mo 24th 1836
Joseph Little
Abigail M. Hanson

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again in No. Berwick at the usual time in the eighth month next.

Signed on behalf of the Committee
Benajah Buffum Clerk
General Answer, 4th mo. 1836

4th mo. All our Meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended, except one small Meeting which was omitted on account of the weather, though this important duty is very much neglected by some of our members; The hour is generally observed, clear of unbecoming behaviour except a few instances of sleeping, some care taken.

2d Love and Unity we believe are in a good degree maintained by most friends, yet they are much wanting in some instances, Mostly careful to guard against detraction, when ^{differences} have arisen care has been taken to end them.

3d We think most friends are careful to bring up those under their care in holiness, yet not without exceptions in regard to speech and apparel, to restrain them from pernicious reading and corrupt conversation, and are concerned to be exemplary herein themselves. We believe the Holy Scriptures are frequently read in most families.

4th Friends are generally careful to avoid the use of spirituous liquors other than for medicine, except two cases one of which is under notice. Careful in the other parts of this query.

Careful as far as appears.

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6th Careful except 4 instances of keeping company and one instance of marrying contrary to the order of society with a person not in membership with us.

7th Careful as far as appears.

8th Careful except a few instances of neglect in timely settling accounts.

9th Generally careful as to recording. A few instances of removal without certification.

10th Same care has been taken to deal with offenders as queried after, careful to place judgment according to discipline.

Eighth Month 1856

Cover, Quarterly Meeting of minds held at North Berwick 24th & 25th 1856

By the accounts received from our loved Monthly Meetings the Representatives are, for Dover Samuel Dennis Tobias Meader and Joseph Tuttle, for Berwick Stephen Jenkins Joseph Brackell and Caleb Cole, for Sandwich & Lake Farmen Moses Hoag and Shadrach Easton, who are present except the

The time for which the Clerks were appointed having expired the Representatives propose Benajah Buffum for Clerk and Abner B. Buffum for Assistant Clerk which being approved they are appointed to that service for one year.

The Queries were read with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings.

The friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting report that they all attended -

They would the Women's Meeting unite with Sandwich Monthly Meeting in the appointment of Elizabeth Barney to the Station of an Elder.

By an extract ^{the minutes of} our last Yearly Meeting it appears that our proportion of Yearly Stock is sixty dollars - Dover Monthly Meetings proportion is \$36. Berwick Mo. Meetings proportion is \$13.20. Sandwich Mo. Meetings proportion is \$10.80 which they are severally requested to forward to our Treasurers -

Received 250 copies of the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and 12 copies of the Report of the Boarding School Committee and extracts from the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting which have been distributed to our several Mo. Meetings - Also received 380 copies of the Sandwich General Epistle of 1855 which have been distributed to our Mo. Meetings, one of which has been read at this time to our comfort and encouragement.

Our business being closed at this time we concluded postponing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the month of next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Benajah Buffum Clerk

250
 Copies of
 Yearly Mtg
 Minutes
 380
 Copies of
 Sandwich
 Epistle
 12 Copies of
 Report of
 Boarding
 School
 Committee

St. David's Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Sandwich 25th of 10th mo 1846

By the accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representations to this Meeting were for Dover Joseph Smith, Thomas Roberts and John Estes for Norwich Amasa Varney, Albert Buffum and Joseph Brackett for Sandwich Ephraim Meader, Ezra Meader and Joshua Watson who are present except two.

The Queries were read with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings.

100 Copies
Memorials
(Dec 1845)
Friends

Received 100 copies of Memorials of deceased Friends of New England Yearly Meeting which are directed to be distributed to our several Monthly Meetings.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the first month next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Benajah Buffum Clerk

First Month 1857

at Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Rochester 22^d of 1st Mo 1857

By the accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings it appears that the Representatives to this meeting are for Dover Jacob K Purinton William Whitehouse and Tobias Meader for Warwick Joseph Crockett Stephen Jenkins and Albert C Buffum for Sandwich Noah Varney James H Durgin and Moses Hoag who are present except two.

The Queries were read with answers received from each of our monthly Meetings.

By an extract from the minutes of Dover Monthly Meeting we are informed that they have united in the appointment of Daniel Meader and Jesse Roberts to the station of Elders, which after being separately and collectively considered was united with by this and the womens Meeting.

We are also informed by an extract from Berwick Monthly Meeting that that Meeting has united with appointment of Cynthia Buffum to the station of an Elder, which after a time of solid consideration was united with by this and the womens Meeting and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the fourth month next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Benajah Buffum Clerk

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Dover 23rd of 4th Mo. 1857.

By the accounts received from our several Mo. Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are for Dover Walter Sawyer, Jacob R. Purinton & Moses Roberts. for Berwick Edward Evans, Isaiah Fry & Stephen Jenkins, for Sandwich Noah Varney & Moses Hoag all present.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers received from our several Mo. Meetings, and the following summary is prepared for the Yearly Meeting, and we appoint for Representatives thereto, Benajah Buffum, Isaiah Fry, Oliver, Meader and Amos C. Purinton.

The time for which our Treasurer was appointed having expired we appoint Daniel Osborn Treasurer the coming year.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting stock to the Treasurers of the Yearly Meeting.

The Correspondent of Sandwich Mo. Meeting having removed from within the limits of that Meeting, we propose the appointment of Stephen Beede (Centes Sandwich) for that service.

The Committee appointed to visit Meetings families and individuals are continued and requested to report in the 8th Mo. next.

Testimonials ^{see} concerning our late beloved friends Joseph and Salome C. Brackett of Berwick Mo. Meeting, were read and approved, and the Clerk is directed to endorse them on behalf of this Meeting and forward them to the Meeting for sufferings.

Received 24 Copies of the new edition of the Discipline for the use of this and our subordinate Meetings.

Our beloved friend Moses H. Beede attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate from Providence Mo. Meeting held 28th of 1st Mo. 1857. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us. Also our beloved friend Samuel Boyd Taber attended this Meeting &

produced a satisfactory Certificate from Providence Mo. Meeting held 29th of 10th Mo. 1856. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us, and the Clerk is directed to furnish them with copies of the above minutes respectively and sign them on behalf of the Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at North Berwick at the usual time in the 8th Mo next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Benajah Buffum Clerk

Summary answers

Ans 1st. All our meetings for religious worship and discipline have been attended; except one small meeting which has been neglected a few times, another which has been omitted four times on account of sickness and inclement weather. Meetings on first days are usually attended by the greater part of our members, though ^{some} are very negligent of this important duty, particularly in the middle of the week. The hour is pretty well observed. Clear of unbecoming behavior when assembled except a few instances of sleeping.

Ans 2nd. Love and Unity we trust, are in a good degree maintained by most friends, although much wanting in some instances; Mostly careful to guard against detraction; endeavours are used to end differences when they appear.

Ans 3rd. Most friends are, in a good measure, careful in the several particulars of this Query; and still we believe the more frequent reading of the Holy Scriptures in some friends families is needful.

Ans 4th. We believe friends are careful to avoid the use of spiritous liquors, except in three instances of using them otherwise than for medicine; one of which is under notice; Mostly careful in the other parts of this Query; yet it is feared the same of our members are not sufficiently careful in regard to attending places of public resort.

Ans 5th. Careful as far as appears.

Ans 6th. We think friends are generally careful, except two instances of keeping company in order for marriage, and two instances of marrying contrary to discipline.

Ans 7th. Careful as far as appears.

- Ans. 8th Generally careful in these respects. 440
- Ans. 9th Mostly careful, though there is some neglect in recording and a few instances of removal without certificates.
- Ans. 10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders, we trust, in good measure as queried after. No cause of complaint appears in regard to placing judgment.

8th Month 1857

Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 28th of 8th Mo. 1857.

Accounts being received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives therein named are for Dover Jesse Roberts, Tobias Meader & Jacob K. Purinton, for Berwick Stephen Jenkins, John W. Hanson & Oliver Meader, for Sandwich Jedediah Felt, Ezra Gould, & Moses Hoag, who are all present.

Clerks appointed

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed the Representatives propose Benjamin Buffum for Clerk and Albert C. Buffum for assistant Clerk, which being united with, they are appointed to that service for one year.

The Queries are read with answers received from two of our Monthly Meetings, no answers having been received from Dover.

The Committee appointed to visit Meetings, families and individuals as way opened for it, not being ready to report are continued.

Those appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting report they all attended.

By an extract from the minutes of our last Yearly Meeting we are informed that our proportion of Yearly Meeting stock is fifty dollars, which is directed to be apportioned to our Monthly Meetings as usual. Dover Mo. Meetings proportion is \$30. Berwick 11 and Sandwich 9 which sums they are severally requested to forward to the Treasurer of this Meeting.

Yearly Meeting Stock \$50.

Received 400 copies of the London General Epistle for 1856, one of which has been read at this time.

Also received 250 copies of the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and 12 copies of the Report of Boarding School Committee.

A. H.
Hanson's
certificate
returned

Our beloved friend Abigail M. Hanson at this time returned the Certificate granted her by Dover Mo. Meeting and endorsed by this Meeting in the 4th Mo. last year, with expressions of satisfaction, in having performed her visit to the peace of her own mind, she also produced numerous returning minutes from different Yearly, Quarterly and Monthly Meetings all expressing satisfaction with her religious services amongst them, which are directed to be placed on file.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Gifford attended the Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate from Sandwich Mo. Meeting Mass. expressing unity with her as a Minister and with her present religious engagement. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend, Mercy R. Wing attended the Meeting as companion to our friend E. Gifford and produced a satisfactory Certificate of concurrence from Sandwich Mo. Meeting. Her company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends with copies of the above minutes taken on their behalf and sign them on behalf of this Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude, purposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th Mo. next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Benajah Buffum Clerk

10th Month 1857

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Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Sandwich 22nd of 10th Mo. 1857.

Accounts being received from our several
Monthly Meetings the Representatives therein named
are, for Dover, Daniel Mead, Jesse Roberts, & Jonathan
W. Brutter, for Berwick, Joseph Brackett, Oliver Mead,
and John W. Hanson, for Sandwich Joshua Folsom,
Shadrach Hastey, and Peter F. Swett, who are present
except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was
assigned.

The Queries were read with answers received
from our several Monthly Meetings.

The Committee appointed to visit Meetings, families
and individuals as was ordered for it, not being
ready to report, are continued.

Our beloved friend Daniel Page attended this Meeting
and produced a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from
Litchfield Monthly Meeting held at Wintthrop 25th of 9th Mo. 1857.

His company and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend John Paige attended this Meeting
and produced a satisfactory certificate of concurrence from Ware
Mo. Meeting of Friends held 8th of 10th Mo. 1857. His company
and religious services have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Stephen Cartland attended
this Meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate of concurrence
from Durham Mo. Meeting held 20th of 10th Mo. 1857.

His company and religious services have been acceptable
to us.

Our beloved friend Elizabeth Paige attended
this Meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate
from Ware Mo. Meeting of Friends held 10th Mo. 1857.
Her company and weighty deportment have been acceptable
to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends
respectively with copies of the above minutes taken on
their behalf and sign them on behalf of this Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this
time we conclude, purposing to meet again at Wintthrop
at the usual time in the first Month next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting,

Benziah Buffum Clerk

1st Mo. 1858

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester 28th of 1st Mo. 1858.

Accounts being received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives therein named are for Dover John Estes, Samuel Dennis & Jacob K Purinton for Berwick Stephen Jenkins, James Hussey, and Oliver Meader for Sandwich & Moses Hoag Noah Varney and Richard Wiggin who are present except one

The Queries were read in this Meeting with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings

The Committee to visit Meetings, families and individuals as was ordered for it presented the following report, which is satisfactory to us and we appoint our friends Timothy Hanson, Joseph Tuttle, Noah Varney, Tobias Meader, Jesse Roberts, Isaiah Fry, Jacob K. Purinton and Oliver Meader a Committee for similar purposes to act on behalf of the Meeting the coming year.

To Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be held at Rochester 28th of 1st Month 1858.

Our good Committee continued in our appointment in the 8th and 10th months past report, that we have attended to some cases and rendered some service with a good degree of satisfaction to our selves and we trust it has not been without use to the visited.

Joseph Tuttle
Timothy Hanson
Sarah B Roberts
Abigail M Hanson

for the
Committee

1st Mo 1858

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Our beloved Friend Jedediah J. Varny attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate from Unity Monthly Meeting held at Thorndike 19th of 11th Mo 1857. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved Friend Timothy Hanson attended this Meeting as companion to Jedediah J. Varny and presented a satisfactory certificate from Unity Mo. Meeting held at Brook 17th of 12th Mo 1857. His company and solid deportment have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved Friend Jane C. Minott attended this Meeting and presented a certificate from Falmouth Mo. Meeting of Friends held at Portland 24th of 12th Mo 1857. expressing unity with her as a Minister and with her, in her religious engagements. Her company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved Friend Henry H. Minott attended this Meeting in company with his wife Jane C. Minott and presented a satisfactory certificate from Falmouth Mo. Meeting of Friends. His company and solid deportment have been acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends respectively with copies of the above minutes taken on their behalf and sign them on behalf of the Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the fourth month next.

Benajah Buffum Clerk

4th Mo. 1858

4th Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Dover 22nd of 4th Mo. 1858.

By the accounts received from our
several Monthly Meetings the Representatives to
this Meeting are for Dover Tobias Meader, Walter
Sawyer & Jacob H. Purinton, for Berwick Joseph
Brackett, John W. Hanson & James H. Hisey, for
Sandwich, Moses Varney & David H. Hill who
are present except one.

The Queries have been read in this meeting
with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings
a summary of which is prepared for the Yearly Meeting
and we appoint for Representatives there to Benajah
Burrum, Timothy Hanson, Jacob H. Purinton and
Oliver Meader.

The time for which our Treasurer was appointed
having expired we appoint Daniel Osborn Treasurer
the coming year.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our pro-
portion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of
the Yearly Meeting.

Sandwich Monthly Meeting informs that the Office
of Correspondent for that Meeting is vacated by removal.
This Meeting is united in ^{proposing} the appointment of Stephen Beebe
(of Centre Sandwich) ^{with} to fill the vacancy, and the clerk is
directed to give the necessary information.

Our beloved friend Edward Gove attended this
Meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from
Seabrook Monthly Meeting held at Amesbury 4th of 3rd Mo. 1858.
His company, and religious services have been satisfactory
to us.

Our beloved friend Mary B. Pinkham attended
this Meeting and presented a certificate from Salem
Monthly Meeting Ohio held 31st of 1st Mo. 1858 and
indorsed by Salem Quarterly ^{meeting} of Friends held 11th
of 2nd Mo. 1858 expressing unity with her as a

Minister and with her present religious engagements
her company and religious services have been satisfactory
to us.

Also our beloved friend Thomas Pinkham attended
this Meeting (in company with his Wife Mary B. Pinkham
and presented a satisfactory Certificate from Salem Mth
Meeting of Friends in Ohio held 11th of 2nd Mo 1838. His
company and solid deportment have been satisfactory
to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends with
copies of the above minutes respectively, and sign them
on behalf of this Meeting.

General Answers 4th Mo 1838

Ans 1st All our meetings for worship and discipline have been
attended though they are much neglected by some of our
Members, especially in the middle of the week, the hours
pretty well observed by most. Glad of unbecoming behaviors
except a few instances of sleeping and some care taken.

Ans 2nd We believe there is a good degree of love and
unity, maintained by most friend, though much wanting
in some instances, Mostly, careful to guard against
detraction, though it appears that some are not sufficiently
careful in this respect, care is taken to end differences
when they appear.

Ans 3rd Generally careful in the several particulars of this
query, except some instances in regard to plainness.

Ans 4th Mostly, careful except one instance of using spirituous
liquors other than for medicine.

Ans 5th Generally careful in these respects.

Ans 6th Careful except six instances of marrying out of the
order of Friends three of which are under notice.

Ans 7th We believe friends are generally careful in the
several particulars of this query.

Ans 8th In a good degree careful in these respects.

4th Mo. 1858

Ans. 9th Generally careful as to recording, a few instances of removal without certificates.

Ans. 10th Care has been taken to deal with offenders we trust in good measure & graciously to this query when judgment has been placed we think it has been according to discipline.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at North Berwick at the appointed time in the 8th Mo. next
Benajah Buffum Clerk

8th Mo. 1858

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 27th & 28th Mo. 1858.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representations to this Meeting are for Dover Jacob R. Parinton, Joseph Tuttle, Timothy Hanson and Samuel Lennis. for Berwick Oliver Meader, Stephen Jenkins and Elijah Varney; for Sandwich Isiah Varney, Ephraim Meader and Paul Hoag, who are present except two.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed the Representatives propose Benajah Buffum for clerk and Albert C. Buffum for assistant clerk which being approved by the Meeting they are appointed to that service for one year.

* The Queries were read with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings.

Those appointed to attend the Yearly Meeting, inform they all attended.

By the following extract we are informed that our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock is sixty dollars which our several Mo. Meetings are requested to forward to Daniel Osborn, our Treasurer.

Dover Mo. Meetings proportion (60 percent) is \$36,00
Berwick's proportion (22 percent) is \$13,20
and Sandwich's proportion (18 percent) is \$10,80

Yearly Meeting 1858

It is concluded to raise twelve hundred dollars for the use of this Meeting the present year which the Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to David Buffum our Treasurer. The quota of Dover Quarterly Meeting is sixty dollars (\$60. — 5 percent)

From the Minutes of the Meeting

Samuel Boyd Tobey, Clerk

* Our beloved friends Olney Thompson of Bloomington Monthly Meeting, Iowa, John Meader of Providence Mo. Meeting and Edward Gore of Seabrook Mo. Meeting & H. and Stephen Bartland of Durham Mo. Meeting. He attended this Meeting and produced satisfactory certificates from their respective Meetings, expressing unity with them as Ministers and ^{with} their present religious engagements. Their company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Received 375 copies of the London General Epistle for 1857 the reading of one of which is deferred to next Quarterly Meeting. Also received 250 copies of the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and 12 copies of the Report of the Boarding School Committee.

The Clerk is directed to sign on behalf of the Meeting the following Minute in favor of our beloved friend Olney Thompson and similar ones for our beloved friends John Meader, Edward Gore and Stephen Bartland.

Our beloved friend Olney Thompson attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory certificate from ^{expressing unity with him as a Minister and with his present religious engagements, his} ~~Bloomington Mo. Monthly Meeting Iowa and similar ones~~ for our beloved friends John Meader, Edward Gore and Stephen Bartland. Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th Mo. next

Benajah Buffum Clerk

Rice
London
Epistle
375 copies
Meeting
Minutes
250

School
Committee
Report
12 copies

10th Mo. 1858

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 10th Mo 28th 1858.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings it appears that the Representatives to this Meeting are, for Dover Timothy Haines, Jesse Roberts and Thomas Roberts, for Berwick Oliver Meader, Annasa Varney, and Joseph Brackett for Sandwich Noah Varney, Peter F. Swett and Lewis Hoag who are present except one.

The Queries have been read at this time with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Rochester at the usual time in the first Month next.

Benajah Buffum Clerk

1st Mo. 1859

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester 27th of 1st Mo. 1859.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are, for Dover, Thomas Roberts, Tobias Meader and John Estes, for Berwick Edward Evans & Joseph Brackett, for Sandwich Peter F. Swett, Russell Hoag and Noah Varney, who are all present -

The Queries have been read at this time with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings.

By an extract from the minutes of Dover Monthly Meeting we are informed that that Meeting has appointed Walter Sawyer to the station of an Elder with which this, and the women's Meeting unite and the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information.

The Committee appointed in the 1st Mo. 1858 to visit Meetings families and individuals as way opened for it and circumstances required presented the

Walter Sawyer
appointed an
Elder

Committee to visit
Meetings &c

1st Mo. 1859

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following Report Vis — which is satisfactory to us and said Committee, with the addition of Stephen Beede and Benajah Buffum are continued, and requested to attend to their appointment, and, as ability is afforded, labour for the preservation of unity and harmony, amongst us — and report at the operations of the year —

To the Quarterly Meeting of Friends To be held at Rochester 1st Mo. 27th 1859 — Your Committee, appointed in the first month 1858 to visit Meetings families and individuals as way might open for it or circumstances require report that they have bestowed some labours with a degree of satisfaction to themselves and they trust not without usefulness to the visited which we submit —

Rochester 1st Mo 26th 1859 Joseph Tuttle
Sarah P. Tuttle } In behalf
Tobias Mender } of the Committee
Elisabeth Vorney }

Our beloved friend David Tisdley attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from Sitchfield Monthly Meeting held at Manchester 10th Mo. 29th 1858. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us —

Our beloved friend Joshua Douglass attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from Durham Mo. Meeting held 25th of 1st Mo. 1859. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us —

Our beloved friend Joseph H. Pratt attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory certificate from Unity Mo. Meeting held at Thorncliffe 11th Mo. 18th 1858 — His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us —

The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends respectively with copies of the above minutes taken on their behalf and sign them on behalf of the Meeting

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude, purposing to meet again at Dover, at the usual time in the fourth month next —

Benajah Buffum clerk

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Dover 28th of 4th Mo. 1859.

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are for Dover Walter Sawyer, Timothy Hanson and Jesse Roberts, for Berwick James Hussey, Stephen Jenkins and Josiah Fry, for Sandwich, David H. Hill, John H. Meader and Noah Varney who are present except two.

The Queries have been read in this Meeting with answers thereto received from our several Monthly Meetings a summary of which is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting, and we appoint for Representatives thereto Benajah Buffum, Timothy Hanson, Albert C. Buffum, John Estes and Jesse Roberts.

The time for which our Treasurer was appointed having expired we appoint Jacob R. Purinton Treasurer to this Meeting the ensuing year.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of yearly stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

Our beloved friend Sarah B. Roberts a Minister in unity with us spread before this Meeting a prospect which has for some time past rested on her mind to visit in the love of the Gospel friends and others in the northern part of New York Yearly Meeting particularly in Canada as expressed in the Certificate granted her by Dover Monthly Meeting, which claim the solid consideration of this Meeting was fully united with and she left at liberty and encouraged to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way.

The Clerk is directed to endorse the above minute on the certificate granted her by Dover Monthly Meeting and sign it on behalf of this Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude pursuing to meet again at Berwick Berwick at the usual time in the 8th Mo. next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Benajah Buffum Clerk

Sarah B.
Roberts
Certificate

At Cover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at North Berwick 26th of 8th Mo. 1859

By accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are for Dover Joseph Tuttle, Samuel Linnis, Walter Sawyer, and Daniel Meader, for Berwick Oliver Meader, Edward Evans and Mr. Hurrey, for Sandwich Peter F. Sweet, Louis Haag and Jedediah Fitch who are present except one.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed the Representatives propose Benajah Buffum for Clerk and Albert C. Buffum for assistant clerk which being approved by the Meeting they are appointed to that service for one year.

Several of the Yearly Meetings Committee are acceptably with us at this time and have presented the following Minute of their appointment.

Yearly Meeting Sixth Month 1859.

It appearing by the answers to the second query that there is in one or more of our subordinate Meetings a want of that love and unity, so essential to the Christian Church, and this Meeting being introduced into deep exercise on the subject, and concerned for the removal of the causes of this deficiency as thus brought before us, we appoint our friends David Dudley, Samuel Boyd Tobey, Stephen A. Chase, David Buffum, Stephen Jones and John Meader to constitute a Committee to visit Meetings or individuals as may open for it, and to labor on behalf of this Meeting in the meekness of wisdom and in the ability that may be graciously afforded, to restore love and unity, where they may be found to be wanting.

From the Minutes of the Meeting

Samuel Boyd Tobey Clerk

The Queries with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings have been read at this time.

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The friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting inform they all attended except one for whose absence a satisfactory reason was assigned.

By the following extract we are informed that our proportion of Yearly Meeting stock is sixty dollars which our several Monthly Meetings are requested to forward to Jacob K. Purinton our Treasurer.

Lower Monthly Meetings proportion (60 p. cent) is	\$36,00
Berwick " " " (22 p. cent) is	13,20
Sandwich " " " (18 p. cent)	10,80

Yearly Meeting Sixth month 1859

It is concluded to raise twelve hundred dollars for the use of this Meeting the ensuing year which the Quarterly Meetings are requested to forward to David Buffum our Treasurer.

The quota of Lower Quarterly Meeting is sixty dollars (5 percent)

From the Minutes of the Meeting
Samuel Boyd Taber, Clerk

Received 400 copies of the London General Epistle for 1858, the reading of one of which is deferred to next meeting. They directed to be distributed to our several Monthly Meetings.

Also received 225 copies of the printed Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and 12 copies of Boarding School Committee's Report which have been distributed to our Mo. Meetings.

Our beloved friend James McLaughlin attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate from China Monthly Meeting held at South China 16th of 8 Mo. 1859. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Also our beloved friend Mary F. Meader attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate from Bloomington Mo. Meeting of Friends State of Iowa held 5th of 3rd Mo. 1859. Her company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

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The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends respectively with copies of the above minutes and sign them on behalf of the Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude proposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the tenth month next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Benajah Buffum Clerk

10th Mo. 1859

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 27th of 10th Mo. 1859.

By the accounts received from our several Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are for Dover Hanson Meader, Thomas Roberts and Joseph H. Hanson for Berwick Joseph Brackett, Oliver Meader and Edward Evans, for Sandwich Paul Hoag, Joshua Folsom and Peter F. Swett, who are all present except one.

The Assistant Clerk being absent Ezra Gould is appointed for the day.

The Queries with answers received from our several Monthly Meetings have been read at this time.

By an extract from the minutes of Dover Monthly Meeting we are informed that they have united in the appointment of Jacob H. Purinton to the station of an Elder which after a time of consideration is united with by this Meeting, the womens Meeting concurring therein.

Our beloved friend Lemuel Gifford attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate from Sandwich Mo. Meeting of Friends (State of Massachusetts) held 4 Mo 5th 1859. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Jacob H. Purinton
appointed to the
Station of Elder

Our beloved friend A. Will Hoar attended this Meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends (State of Massachusetts) held 8th Mo. 6th 1858. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends with copies of the above minutes taken on their behalf and sign them on behalf of this Meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Rochester at the usual time in the first month next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting
Benajah Buffum Clerk

1st Mo. 1860

Our 6th Quarterly Meeting of friends held at Rochester 26th of 1st Mo. 1860.

By accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings the appointments to this meeting are, for Dover Samuel Dennis, Jonathan W. Butler and Tobias Mendenhall, for Sandwich Ebenezer Evans James Cass and Stephen Perkins for Sandwich Noah Tarnsey, Russel Hoag and Peter J. Smith. who are present except one.

We have read the Queries at this time with answers received from each of our Monthly Meetings.

Our beloved friend Stephen Eastland attended this meeting and produced a satisfactory Certificate from Durham Monthly Meeting of friends held at So. Durham 24th of 1st Mo. 1860. His company & religious services have been satisfactory to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of the above minute and sign it on behalf of the Meeting.

The Committee continued in the first month last year
presented the following report for which is subscribed to us
Rr.

To Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends to be held
at Rochester 26th & 1st Mo 1863. We your Committee continued
under appointment by the Quarterly Meeting 26th & 1st Mo
report, that, although way has not opened for much
labour in a committee capacity, yet we have attended
to the subject & our appointment as way has opened
for it and ability been afforded.

Done at Dover 1st Mo 1863 Joseph Fittle)
Sarah P. Fittle) for the Committee
Tobias Meador)
Cynthia Buffum)

Our accounts being cleared, we held at Dover as usual but
intending to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the
4th month.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Benajah Buffum Clerk

1861
Fourth Month 1860

44 Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
Dover 26.th of 4th mo. 1860.

By the accounts received from
our several Monthly Meetings the Represent-
atives to this Meeting are, for Dover Samuel
Gerris, Walter Sawyer and, Jacob H. Parinton;
for Berwick Benajah Buffum, Isaiah Fry
and William Jepson; for Sandwich Noah
Varney and Moses Varney; who are all
present.

The Queries have been read at
this time, with answers received from each
of our Monthly Meetings, from which the
following Summary is prepared for the
ensuing Yearly Meeting; and we appoint, for
Representatives thereto our friends Jesse Roberts,
John Estes, Stephen Jenkins of Eliot, Benajah
Buffum and Isaiah Fry.

Summary Answers.

Ans. 1. With the exception of two small meetings,
which sometimes been omitted, our meetings for
worship and discipline have all been attended,
and frequently by most of our members;
though they are much neglected by some, partic-
ularly. Those on week days. - The hour pretty well
observed; clear of unbecoming behaviour except,
a few instances of sleeping.

Ans. 2. There is a good degree of Love and Unity maintained
amongst us, and Detraction mostly guarded against.
Careful as to differences.

3. We believe most friends are in a good
measure careful in the several particulars
of this query; though there appears a want

- of due care in a few instances in regard to planning.
4. Generally careful in these respects; yet we fear some are not sufficiently careful to avoid places of public resort.
 5. Careful in these several particulars as far as appears.
 6. Mostly careful, except, one instance of keeping company in order for marriage, and five instances of marrying contrary to the order of Friends three of which are under notice.
 7. Careful as far as appears.
 8. In a good degree careful in these respects, except some deficiency in timely settling accounts.
 9. Mostly careful as to recording; - a few instances of removal without certificates.
 10. Some care has been taken to deal with offenders, we trust in good measure agreeably to this query, and to place judgments when it has appeared necessary according to discipline.

Our beloved friend Edward Gore attended this meeting and presented a satisfactory Certificate from Seabrook Monthly Meeting held at West. Kentury Chapel, June 1st 1857. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish him with a copy of this minute, and sign it on behalf of the meeting. —

The time for which our Treasurer was appointed having expired we appointed, Daniel Osborne Treasurer to this meeting the ensuing year.

Present
affirmed

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of the Yearly meeting Stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

By an extract from the minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meeting we are informed that they have united in the appointment of ^{Wm.} James ^{Horsing} to the Station of Elder, with which this, and the Women's Meeting unite.

Our beloved friend Sarah B. Roberts at this time returned the Certificate granted her in the 7th mo. 1857. together with Minutes from - Perishing Quarterly Meeting held at, Tusabel A. 9th mo. 18. 1857. and ten other Meetings all expressing unity and satisfaction with her company and religious labors, while with them.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at the appointed time at North Benning in the 8th mo. 1857.

Signed on behalf of the meeting
Benajah Duggan Clerk.

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at North Berwick 24th of 8th Mo 1860.

By accounts received from our several Mo. Meetings the Representatives to this meeting are for Dover Jesse Roberts, Jacob R. Purinton, Daniel Meader and Joseph Tuttle for Berwick Isaac Fry, Oliver Meader and Joseph Brainerd for Sandwich Noah Varney Paul Hoag and Lewis Hoag who are present except two, for the absence of one of whom a satisfactory reason was assigned.

The time having expired for which the Clerks were appointed the Representatives propose Benajah Buffum for Clerk and Albert C. Buffum for assistant Clerk, which being approved by the Meeting they are appointed to that service for one year.

The Queries with answers received from our several Mo. Meetings have been read at this time.

The friends appointed to attend our last Yearly Meeting inform they all attended.

By the following extract we are informed that our proportion of Yearly Meeting stock is sixty dollars which our several Mo. Meetings are requested to forward to Daniel Osborn our Treasurer. Dover Mo. Meetings proportion (60 per cent) is \$36.00. Berwick Mo. Meetings proportion (22 per cent) is \$13.20. Sandwich Mo. Meetings proportion (18 per cent) is \$10.80.

Received 390 copies of the London General Epistle for 1859 which are directed to be distributed to our several Mo. Meetings. The reading of one of which is deferred to next Quarterly Meeting. Also received 250 copies of the printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting and 12 printed sheets containing The Boarding School Committee's Report &c.

Yearly Meeting sixth month 1860.

It is concluded to raise twelve hundred dollars for the use of this Meeting the current year which our Quarterly Meetings are requested ^{to} forward to David Buffum our treasurer.

The quota of Lower Quarterly Meeting is sixty dollars (5 per cent)

From the Minutes of the Meeting

Samuel Boyd Tobey Clerk

Our beloved friend Abigail M. Hanson a Minister in good esteem with us opened in this Meeting a prospect which had for some time occupied her mind of attending in the love of the gospel the approaching Yearly Meeting at Baltimore and also of some religious service among friends at some other places going and returning, as expressed in a Certificate granted her by Lower Mo. Meeting held 8th Mo 15th 1860. which after deliberation thereon was fully united with and she left a liberty to pursue her prospect as best wisdom may direct.

The Clerk is directed to endorse the above minute on the Certificate granted her by Lower Mo. Meeting and sign it on behalf of this Meeting.

We appoint our friends Tobias Meader, Jesse Roberts and Jacob K. Purinton, a committee with whom our beloved friend Abigail M. Hanson may confer in regard to carrying out her concern in relation to her contemplated visit.

The following communication is received from Sandwich Mo. Meeting, whereupon we appoint our friends Samuel Dennis, Jesse Roberts, W^m Murray, Oliver Meader, Elijah Osborn, Jacob K. Purinton & Thomas Roberts, to take the subject under consideration, and solicit subscriptions on their behalf to aid them as their necessities seem to require.

This Meeting being very much reduced in numbers caused by removals and otherwise, and of course in means for the maintenance of the Poor remaining ~~among~~ with us, we are united in requesting our Representatives to lay before the ensuing Quarterly Meeting our condition in this respect.

Extracted from the minutes of Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held 8th Mo. 16th 1860.

Stephen Beede Clerk

Under a belief that there are circumstances existing within our borders, in which a Committee of this Meeting may be useful, and being desirous of promoting the good order of society, we appoint our friends Joseph Suttle, Moses Roberts, Walter Sawyer, Tobias Weeder, Noah Varney, & Jesse Roberts, to visit our subordinate Meetings, families and individuals, as way may open for it, and labour in the spirit of christian love to restore harmony ^{among} us.

Our beloved friend, Moses Beede attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory Certificate from Providence Mo. Meeting held 7th Mo. 25th 1860. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved ^{friend} Samuel Gifford attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory Certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting held 8th Mo. 3rd 1860. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend Jedediah F. Varney attended this Meeting and presented a satisfactory Certificate from Unity Mo. Meeting held at Brooks 5th Mo. 15th 1860. His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us. (R. Thomas's Certificate on next page)

The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends with copies of the above minutes and ^{sign} them on behalf of the Meeting. Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet again at Sandwich at the usual time in the 10th Mo. next.

Benajah Buffum Clerk

Our beloved friend Rufus Sherman attended this
 Meeting ^{as companion to our friend Samuel Gifford} and presented a satisfactory Certificate
 from New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 8th Mo. 23rd 1860
 His company and solid deportment have been satisfactory
 to us.

10th Mo. 1860

At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends
 held at Sandwich 25th of 10th Mo. 1860.

By the accounts received from our several
 Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting
 are, for Dover Tobias Meader, Jacob R Purinton,
 and Hanson Meader, for Berwick Oliver Meader,
 Albert C Buffum and Benajah Buffum for Sandwich
 Biede Varney, Noah Varney and Peter F Swett; who
 are all present but one.

The Queries with answers received from
 our several Monthly Meetings have been read at
 this time -

The London General Epistle for 1859 was
 read at this time to our satisfaction and edification.

The following communication from our beloved
 friend John L. Lang was received and read at this
 time to our satisfaction and encouragement.

Vassalboro. 10th Mo. 20th 1860.

To friends of Dover Quarterly Meeting.

As the time draws nigh for your annual assembly
 at Sandwich & I so often think of you my dear friends
 that I cannot forbear expressing my desire for the
 best welfare of the few remaining ones of a once
 large company, who used to assemble there, sufficing
 of love & unity to offer up the tribute of thanksgiving
 and praise to the God of our lives & author of every
 temporal and spiritual blessing ~~Parents~~ and children ^{par}
 and the wayfaring man and woman from distant

not deterred by storm or tempest, but were cheered with
 the thought of meeting with kindred spirits and the fathers
 and mothers of the Church and inhabitants of that spiritually
 favored land, but now as the Prophet declared our
 fathers where are they, and the Prophets do they live fore-
 ever, no, they are gone, and we trust now sleep in Jesus
 their Saviour, and but few left as sojourners among the
 inhabitants, and how much I desire these may be strengthened
 to lay hold of hope and the horns of the altar, that they
 be preserved through the day of trial, till the calamities
 of these latter times be over past, that the blessed
 testimonies, so faithfully borne by the dedicated fathers
 and mothers, may not be obscured, but the Glorious
 truth again shine in its former levelness and promise,
 I often look back to early days, when our hearts were made
 to rejoice as expressed by the Psalmist, I was glad, when they
 said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord, our
 feet shall stand within thy gates O Jerusalem; Jerusalem
 is a city compact together; whither the tribes go up, the tribes
 of the Lord unto ^{the} testimony of Israel, to give thanks unto the
 Lord - I often think of you in your bereavements, and in
 the trials which of late have overtaken you in branches of
 your Br. Meeting, by lending a listening ear (I fear) to the
 cruel enemy that would divide in Jacob and scatter in Israel,
 but may we all remember those were set thrones of judgment,
 the set thrones of the house of David, and all need to pray
 for the peace of Jerusalem, for they shall prosper that love
 her, and for my brethren and companions sake I write,
 now say peace be within thee, may the Lord give you
 strength and wisdom, from the oldest to the youngest to
 do his will, and discharge your several duties to
 each other and to the Church and to the Lord as faithful
 servants and handmaids who must give an account in the
 day of final retribution - May we pray for one another and
 so fulfill the law of Christ - with feelings of unworthiness and
 tendered love and affectionate regard for you all, I must now
 say farewell -

John Q. Lang

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude, purposing to meet again at Rochester at the appointed time in the first month next.

Signed on behalf of the Meeting

Benajah Buffum. Clerk

First Month 1861

. At Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester 24th of 1st Mo. 1861

By the accounts received from each of our Monthly Meetings the Representatives to this Meeting are, for Dover Walter Roberts, Elijah Pearley, Jesse Roberts, for Berwick Joseph Brackett, William Jenson and Oliver Mader for Sandwich Stephen Beede, Paul Hoag and Noah Varney who are present except three

We have read the Queries at this time with answers received from each of our Monthly Meetings.

Our beloved friend, Abigail M. Hanson at this time returned the Certificate granted her in the 8th Mo. last, together with the following returning minute from Baltimore Yearly Meeting.

At Baltimore Yearly Meeting of Friends held by adjournment from the 22nd of the 10th Month to the 25th of the same inclusive 1860 - Our beloved friend Abigail M. Hanson acceptably attended this Meeting -

Signed by direction and on behalf of the Meeting

Francis T. King

Julia Valentine } Clerks

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude, intending to meet again at Dover at the usual time in the 4th Mo. next

Benajah Buffum Clerk

. 41 Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Dover 25th of 4th Mo. 1861.

By accounts received from each of our Mo. Meetings
the Representatives to this Meeting are for Dover Jacob
R. Purinton, Tobias Meader and Walter Sawyer for
Berwick James Hussey, Joseph Brackett & Benajah Buffum
for Sandwich Noah Varney and Paul Strong who are pres-
ent except one.

We have read the queries with answers received
from each of our Monthly Meetings from which the
following summary is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting
and we appoint for Representatives thereto Joseph M. Hanson
John Estes, Cyrus Bangs, Tobias Meader and Stillman
Estes.

The time for which our Treasurer was appointed
having expired we appoint Jacob R. Purinton Treasurer to
this Meeting the coming year.

Our Treasurer is directed to pay our propor-
tion of yearly stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly
Meeting.

Our beloved friend Martha Meader a Minister
in unity with us (by written communication) spread
before this Meeting a prospect which had for a long time
accompanied her mind to make a visit in the love of the
Gospel to Friends also to appoint some Meetings amongst these
near in prospecting with us within the limits of Ferrisburg
Quarterly Meeting as expressed in a certificate granted her
by Sandwich Mo. Meeting, which claiming the consideration
of the Meeting was fully united with and she left at liberty
to pursue her prospect as truth may open the way, and the
Clerk is directed to furnish her with a copy of this minute
and sign it on behalf of the Meeting.

We appoint our friends Jesse Roberts, Jacob R. Purinton, Tobias
Meader and Benajah Buffum a Committee with whom our
beloved friend Martha Meader may advise in relation to
her proposed journey.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude intending to meet again at North Berwick at the usual time in the eighth month next.

Benajah Buffum Clerk

8th Mo 1861

At. Last Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at N^o Berwick 8th Mo 23^d 1861

By the accounts received from our several
Monthly Meetings it appears the representatives
to this meeting are for Dover, Jesse Roberts
Moses Roberts & Walter Sawyer, for Berwick
Oliver Meaders Joseph Brackett & Thaddeus
Merrill, for Sandwich Russell Hoag & Moses
Hoag who are present except one.

The time having expired for which
the clerks were appointed. The representatives
proposed Benajah Buffum for clerk and
Albert C Buffum for assistant clerk which
being approved by the meeting they are appointed
to those services for one year.

The Queries with answers from each of ours
of our monthly meeting have been read at this time.

The friends appointed to attend our last
Yearly meeting report they all attended.

By the following extract we are informed
that our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock is
Sixty Dollars which our several Monthly Meetings
are requested to forward to our Treasurer Jacob
H. Thurinton in their usual proportions.

Dover Monthly Meeting's proportion (66 pcts)	\$36.00
Berwick Monthly Meeting's proportion (22 pcts)	13.20
Sandwich Monthly Meeting's proportion (18 pcts)	10.80

Yearly
Meeting
Stock
\$60.

We have received 375 copies of the London General Epistle for 1860 which are to be distributed to our second monthly meetings one of which has been read at this time to our satisfaction and encouragement

We received 250 copies of the printed minutes of our last yearly meeting - 250 copies of advice of London Yearly Meeting - 200 copies of advice in war - Also 12 copies of report of the boarding school committee.

The joint committee appointed in 5th motion to visit subordinate meetings and for other services presented the following report viz

To Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held to be held at South Berwick.

The joint committee appointed in 8th motion last to visit subordinate meetings and for other services, report that they have given attention to the subject of their appointment and rendered such advice and counsel as they were qualified to offer. And since our appointment, some of our members have several times attended Berwick Mo. Meeting and find that meeting in a divided state, and as we believe not in a condition to administer the discipline and transact their business to the honor of truth or to their own peace & comfort. We therefore think that the further care of the Quarterly Meeting is needed, and that the labor of the committee are still necessary. And if such committee should be appointed at this time, we recommend that they be particularly instructed to attend Berwick Mo. Meeting, and to advise and assist that meeting, and to give such aid and direction in the transactions of their business as circumstances may require.

report of committee

Joseph Tuttle, Noah Varney
Sarah P. Tuttle, Lydia Varney
In behalf of the Committee

8th mo 22^d 1861

Dorothy Burleigh committee appointed

Which (report) is accepted, and believing that usefulness may result from the appointment of a similar committee at this time, we appoint our Friends Joseph Tuttle, Moses Roberts, Walter Sanger, Tobias Mader, Noah Varney, Jesse Roberts, Thomas Roberts & John Esch a committee, with a similar appointment of women friends to visit our subordinate meetings, families, and individuals as occasion may require and way open for, and to labor in the spirit of christian charity and kindness for the promotion of love and harmony amongst us and for the maintainance of dignity and right order in our meetings of discipline, And as appears by report of committee as well as by the answers to the Queries that there is great want of Love and unity among the members of Berwick Monthly Meeting, the committee now appointed are particularly authorized and requested to advise and assist that meeting, and in our behalf to act therein and to give such aid and direction in the transaction of their business and in carrying out the provisions of discipline as may appear adapted to restore unity & harmony among them and promote the best interest of our religious society.

The friends appointed solicitor-aid for Sandwich the Meeting, verbally reported, which is satisfactory. We appoint Jacob H. Parinton, Daniel Osborn, Oliver Mader, Jesse Roberts, Thomas Roberts, & Albert C. Buffum to solicit subscriptions for further aid of ^{said} ~~the~~ meeting.

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude purposing to meet at the usual ^{time in} next at Sandwich.

(Benajah Buffum Clerk)

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Centre Month 1861

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9th over Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich
10th Mo 25th 1861 D 11

By accounts received from our several
Monthly Meetings, the representatives to this Meeting are (for
Green) Wm. Vane, Thomas H. Coates and Elijah Hopkins,
for Sandwich Sarah Tree and Oliver Mcader, for
Sandwich Stephen Seede Anna Hanson & Ezra M. Meader
who are all present

Our beloved Friend Benjamin
Simpson having been removed by death since our last
Quarterly Meeting, Stephen Seede is appointed Clerk
for the day - We have read the Queries with the
answers received from our several Monthly Meetings
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Our business being accomplished at this time we
conclude proposing to meet again at Rochester at the
usual in the first Month next

Stephen Seede Clerk for the day

N^o 11th 1862

At Love Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester N^o 23rd 1862

By accounts received from our several meetings the representatives to this meeting are for Dover John Estes Cyrus Jones & Tobias Meader for Benwick Stephen Jenkins Edward Evans & Sarah Day for Sandwick Johnathan Wingate Lewis Hoag & Peter Sweet, present except four.

The clerk of meeting having been removed by death, the representatives proposed Albert C. Buffon for clerk & James J. Meader for assistant clerk which was united with, and they are appointed to that service for one year.

Our beloved Friend William H. Chase attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from Uxbridge Monthly Meeting of Friends held 12th mo 18th 1861, His company religious services have been satisfactory and encouraging to us.

Our beloved Friend David Dudley attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from Litchfield Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Manchester 10th mo 24th 1861, His company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved Friend John Page attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from Acare Monthly Meeting held 10th mo 10th 1861. His company and religious services have been satisfactory & encouraging to us.

The clerk is directed to furnish our friends with copies of the above minutes and sign them on behalf of this meeting.

We have read the queries with the answers received from our several monthly meetings at this time.

Our beloved Friend Martha Meader returned the certificate granted her in 4th mo last - And informed this meeting that she had been enabled to perform the visit to the peace and satisfaction of her mind.

Also presented the following minutes

Wm. H. Chase's
minutes

David Dudley's
minutes

John Page's
minutes

Our beloved Friend Martha Meader attended this Meeting with a minute of concurrence from Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held 4th 18th 1861 and endorsed by Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Dover New Hampshire 4th 25th 1861, whose company and religious services have been satisfactory to us.

Signed by direction of Farrisburg Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Ausable New York 8th mo 7th 1861.

Joshua Dean
Abby Jane Barton } Clerks

Our beloved Friend Martha Meader attended this Meeting with a minute of concurrence from Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Sandwich 4th 18th 1861 endorsed by Dover Quarterly Meeting held at Dover 4th 25th 1861 whose company and religious services have been satisfactory and encouraging to us.

Signed by directions and on behalf of Farrisburg Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Farrisburg 7th mo 31st 1861.

Andrew Holmes
Sarah A Hazard } Clerks

Rufus Hazard
Correspondent

Our business being accomplished at this time we conclude intending to meet ^{again} at the usual time at Dover,

Albert C Buffum Clerk

4th mo 1862

Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Dover 4th mo 25th 1862

By accounts from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives to this meeting are for Dover Jesse Roberts Amos D. Durrington & Jacob H. Durrington—for Berwick George Estes & Joseph Brackett—for Sandwich Peter S. Sweet & Ezra Gould who are all present.

We have read the Quiries with the answers received from each of our Monthly Meetings from which a summary has been prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting and we appoint Jesse Roberts Joseph Brackett Moses Roberts & Oliver Ince as representatives to said meeting

General Answers

- Ans 1st All of our meetings have been attended except one which was omitted on account of the inclemency of the weather—Those on first days by most of our members while those in the middle of the week are more neglected by some—The hour nearly observed mostly preserved from sleeping—we know of no other unbecoming behavior—
- Ans 2^d We believe a good degree of love & unity are maintained by most friends & detracts generally guarded against—No differences appear
- Ans 3^d We believe most friends are in a good measure careful in the several particulars of this query
- Ans 4th Careful as far as appears except one

or two instances of using ardent spirits other than for medicine.

Ans 5 Careful as far as appears

Ans 6th

Generally careful in these respects except 3 instances of marrying out of the order of friends one of which is under notice and care of keeping company, in order for marriage

Ans 7th Generally careful in the several particulars of this query

Ans 8th Generally careful

Ans 9 Mostly careful as to recording not quite clear as to certificates

Ans 10 Some care has been taken to deal with offenders yet we think more care needful - no cause of complaint in regard to placing judgment

The time having expired for which the Treasurer was appointed Cyrus Bangs is appointed Treasurer for one year.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of yearly Meeting Stock to the Treasurer of the yearly Meeting

Our business being accomplished we conclude intending to meet at North Berwick in the 8th mo next

Albert C. Buffum Clerk

8th Month 1862

Love Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
North Berwick 8th mo 29th 1862

By accounts received from our several
monthly meetings the representatives to this meeting are
for Love Joseph Tuttle Walter Sawyer & Daniel
Mader, for Berwick Oliver Mader Isaac Varney
& Timothy B. Hussey, for Sandwich Peter F. Sweet
William Gould & John H. Mader, who are all present.

Our beloved friend John H. Douglas attended
this meeting with satisfactory certificate from Love Monthly
Meeting of Friends held at Clinton Co, Ohio 4th mo 17th 1862.
Endorsed by Centre Quarterly Meeting of Friends held 5th mo
3^d 1862, Expressing unity and sympathy with him
in his present religious engagements.

His company and gospel labors have been satisfactory
to us.

Our beloved friend Susan Howland attended
this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from New Bedford
Monthly Meeting of Friends held 7th mo 24th 1862, Expressing
unity & sympathy with her in her present religious engagements.
Her company and gospel labors have been satisfactory
to us.

Also our beloved friend Elizabeth Gove
attended this meeting with satisfactory certificate from
Seabrook Monthly Meeting held 7th mo 5th 1862 expressing
unity and sympathy with her and in her present
religious engagements. Her company and gospel
labors have been satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend Eli Harvey attended
this meeting with a minute from Springfield Monthly
Meeting held 4th mo 17th 1862 as companion to John H. Douglas.

Said our beloved friend Lydia Congdon with a minute
from New Bedford Monthly Meeting held 7th mo 24th 1862
companion to Susan Howland. All our beloved

E. L. Gore
present

friend Edward L Gore with a minute from Yearbook Monthly
Meeting 5th 1862 as companion to Elizabeth Gore. Their company
has been satisfactory to us.

We have read the Queries with the answers received
from our several monthly Meetings at this time, and the friends
in attendance with us were brought into exercise on account
of the deficiencies in some of the answers, expressed a desire
that we all may be one as the Father & Son are one, and that
we may forgive one another as we desire to be forgiven
and if we hold hardness against each other the love
of God dwelleth not in us.

We have received 300 copies of the London
printed Epistle, which are to be distributed to the Mo Meetings.

Also 200 copies of the Minutes of our last Yearly Meeting
12 copies of the boarding School committee report and
minute of advice appended thereto.

Stock
\$60.00

By a minute from our last Yearly Meeting we are
informed that our proportion of yearly meeting Stock is
\$60.00 which is to be apportioned to our several Mo Meetings.

The joint committee appointed last year
presented the following report viz

To Dover Quarterly Meetings of Friends

committee
report

The joint Committee appointed to visit subordinate
meetings, families and individuals report, that they have
given attention to the subjects of their appointment
and in the ability afforded, imparted such advice
and assistance as way opened for, and occasioned
to require; and as there are circumstances within the
limits of this Quarterly Meeting which appear to us to require
further attention, we are united in recommending that
the Quarterly Meeting still continue to extend its care
through a similar committee authorized to advise and
assist meetings families and individuals in the same
and for the purpose expressed in the minute of
appointment made in 8th Mo last

In behalf of the Committee

Joseph Tuttle Jesse Roberts
Sarah P Tuttle Sarah B Roberts
for the committee

8th Mo 29th 1862

which is satisfactory to the Meeting and ~~we~~
are united in reappointing the committee for the
for the same purpose named in the minute
of appointment last year and they are encouraged
to labor in the ability which the Spirit gives
for the promotion of the Lord's cause and for the
right ordering of the affairs of the Church amongst us.

Our business being done we conclude intending
to met again at Sandwich in tenth month next
Albert C Buffum Clerk

Tenth Month 1862

Lower Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Sandwich Nov^r 23^d 1862.

By accounts from our several Monthly
meetings the representatives to this meeting^{are} for Lower
Joseph Roberts, Noah Varney & Daniel Meader for
Benwick Oliver Meader & Albert C Buffum for Sandwich
Joshua Holson Stephen Beede & Jedediah Fitch
who being called are all present.

The Minutes have been read at this time
with the answers received from our several Monthly
meetings.

Our business being accomplished we
conclude intending to meet at Rochester in the first
month next,

Albert C Buffum Clerk

First Month 1863

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Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Rochester
Apr 23^d 1863

By accounts from the several monthly meetings
the representatives to this meeting are for Dover Tobias Mader
Elijah Jenkins at Durham & Cyrus Bangs for Brunswick Edward
Erins Isaac Winney & George Estes for Sandwich Nathaniel
Wingate Otho Mader & Lewis Hogg who being called are
present.

The time having expired for which the clerks were
appointed the representatives proposed Albert C. Buffum for
clerk and Olney T. Mader for assistant clerk which being uni-
ted with they are appointed to that service for one year.

Our beloved friend John D. Sang attended this
meeting with a satisfactory certificate from Vassalboro
Monthly Meeting of friend held 16th mo 15th 1862 Endorsed
by Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting held 11th mo 14th 1862.

And Samuel Ordway with a satisfactory minute
from Seabrook Monthly Meeting held at Epping 1st mo
1863, and Joseph Pratt with a satisfactory minute
from Unity Monthly Meeting held 12th mo 18th 1862.

Their company and gospel labors have been accept-
able to us.

Our beloved friends Timothy Hansen companion
to Joseph Pratt attended this meeting with a minute
from Unity Monthly Meeting held 12th mo 18th 1862,
his company has been acceptable to us.

The clerk is directed to furnish our friends in
attendance with copies of the above minutes, and
sign them on behalf of this meeting.

The Queries have been read with the answers from
our several Monthly Meetings.

We conclude intending if permitted to meet again
at Dover in 4th mo next.

Albert C. Buffum Clerk

4th mo 23^d 1863.

Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at
Dover 4th mo 23^d 1863

By accounts from our several Monthly Meetings the representatives to this meeting are for Dover John Estlin, Noah Wainwright & Daniel Meader for Berwick Edward Evans & Oliver Meader, for Sandwich Hyman W. Gould, Moses Hoag & Benjamin Felch who are present except one,

The Queries have been read with the answers received from our several monthly meetings a summary of which is prepared for the ensuing Yearly Meeting to be held at Newport in the 6th mo next and we appoint Tobias Meader, Josiah Fry, Daniel Meader & William Estlin representatives to said Meeting.

By a minute from Sandwich Monthly Meeting we are informed that they are united in the appointment of Joshua Tolson & Stephen Bude to the station of Elders. With which this meeting unite, the womens meeting uniting herein, the Clerk is directed to give the necessary information to the Yearly Meeting.

Tolson
& Bude
Elders

The time having expired for which the Treasurer was appointed Cyrus Bangs is appointed Treasurer for one year.

Our Treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting's Stock to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished we conclude intending to meet again at North Berwick in the 8th month next.

Albert C. Buffum Clerk

Tolson
& Bude
Elders

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8th Mo 28th 1863

Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at Dover
Berwick 8th Mo 28th 1863.

By accounts from our several monthly Meetings the representatives to this meeting are for Dover Tobias Meader Jacob K. Durinton & Jonathan Ketter for Berwick Stillman Estlin Nicholas A. Parkham & Edward Evens for Sandwich Ezra Gould & John H. Meader, who are all present.

Our Beloved friend Moses H. Bude attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends. — Our beloved friend Lemuel Gifford with a satisfactory certificate from Sandwich Monthly Meeting of Friends Mass. — Our beloved friend Newel Ordway with a satisfactory certificate from Seabrook Monthly Meeting of Friends held at Seabrook, — this company and gospel labors have satisfactory to us.

Our beloved friend Eliza Brewer attended this meeting with a satisfactory certificate from West Lake Monthly Meeting of Friends endorsed by West Lake Quarterly Meeting of Friends held at West Lake. Her company & gospel labors have been satisfactory to us.

The clerk is directed to furnish our friends in attendance with copies of the above minutes and sign them on behalf of this meeting.

The Queries have been read at this time with the answers received from the several monthly meetings.

The friends appointed to attend our last yearly meeting, inform, they all attended.

By an extract from our last yearly meeting, we are informed that our proportion

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of yearly meeting stock is one hundred and ~~more~~
 five dollars which is directed to be apportioned
 to our several monthly meetings as usual.

This meeting has received 200 copies of the
 printed minutes of our last Yearly Meeting, which
 have been distributed to our members.

12 copies of the report of the Boarding
 School committee which have been distributed
 to our monthly meetings.

The committee appointed to visit ~~from~~
 meetings families and individuals, presented
 the following report, viz

To Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends
 to be held at North Berwick 28th of 8^{mo} 1863.

The joint committee appointed
 to visit subordinate meetings, and for other
 services report, that they have given attention
 to their appointment, and as way opened
 for it have extended such advice and rendered
 such aid and assistance as circumstances
 seemed to require:

And they are united in judgment that
 it may be well for the Quarterly Meeting
 still to extend its care through the com-
 mittee, appointed to labor in the ~~same~~
 and for the objects expressed in the minutes
 of their appointment made in the 8th mo 1861
 and 1862.

On behalf of committee

8th mo 1863

Joseph Tuttle Sarah P. Tuttle
 Jesse Roberts Sara B. Roberts

which is accepted and the same committee is con-
 tinued another year and are desired to labor in the
 truth as ability may be afforded, in accordance with
 the minute of their appointment.

Our business being accomplished we conclude inter-
 to meet again in 10th mo at Sandwich. Albert C. Buffum Clerk

10th 22^d 1863

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Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends held
at Sandwich 10th 22^d 1863

By accounts from our several monthly
meetings the representatives to this meeting are for
Dover Noah Varnoy Jesse Roberts & Hansens
made for Berwick Oliver made for Albert C. Buffum
for Sandwich Joshua Johnson Ezra Gould and
Stephen Bude who are all present.

Our beloved Friend Samuel Boyce atten-
ded this meeting with a certificate from
Salem monthly meeting of Friends held at
Lynn 6th 11th 1863. His company and gospel
labors have been satisfactory to us.

The clerk is directed to furnish him with
a copy of the above minutes, and sign it on behalf
of this meeting.

The Quiries have been read with the answers
received from our several monthly meetings.

By a communication from William
Flussey we are informed that he appeals from
the decision of Berwick monthly meeting
this meeting being small; and not having received
official information from Berwick monthly
of his appeal, the appointment of a committee
is deferred until next Quarterly meeting.

Our business being done we conclude
intending to meet again at Rochester first
month next if permitted

Albert C. Buffum Clerk

Samuel
Boyce present

William Flussey
appealed

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Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held at Rochester 1st Mo 28th 1864

By accounts from our several
monthly meetings the representa-
tives are, for Dover Tobias Meader,
Cyrus Bangs & John Varney. for
Berwick, Edward Evans, Stillman
Estes, & Joseph Brackett. for Sand-
wich Russel Hoag & Moses Hoag
who are present except Moses Hoag.

The time having expired
for which the clerks were appointed
Albert C. Buffum is appointed clerk
and William Buffum Assistant
for one year — —

The Queries and answers re-
from our monthly meetings have
been read.

Our beloved friend Joseph
C. Pratt. attended this meeting
present with a satisfactory certificate
from Unit. Monthly Meeting
of Friends held at Albion 1st
month 21st 1864. His company
and Gospel labors have been
acceptable to us.

Clerks
appointed

Joseph C. Pratt

present

1st mo 1864

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W.E.
Bratt

Also our beloved friend Mar
tha E. Bratt wife of Joseph K.
Bratt attended this meeting
with a certificate from Unit.
monthly meeting held at
Albion 1st Mo 2nd 1864. Her
company is acceptable to us.

The Clerk is directed to furnish
them with copies of the above
minutes and sign them on
behalf of this meeting — — —

We appoint Tobias
Wender, Jacob K. Furinton,
Joseph Little, Albert C. Buffum,
Leopold Bangs Stephen B. de
John Varney & Russel Hoaca
Committee to confer on the subject
of the place of holding our quar-
terly Meetings — — —

The case of Wm Hussey's appeal
from the decision of Berwick month-
ly meeting on which the ^{appointment} of a committee
was deferred until this time; & We are now
officially informed ^{of his appeal} by a minute from
that meeting we appoint ~~for the 1st mo~~

Wm Hussey's Appeal Le. Meeting Committee

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Jonathan W. Nutter William P. Tuttle
& Stephen Beede a committee to
meet the appellant with a com-
mittee appointed by said month
meeting to examine the case and
report at next meeting

The following commun-
ication from our dearest aged friend
Benjamin Fry has been read
at this time, and is truly accep-
table to us

To Dover Quarterly Meeting
to be held at Centre Sandwich the
22 inst

Dear Friends

Having felt my
mind drawn, I trust, in the love
of the Rev of the Gospel, thus to
address you, and say, that altho' your
numbers may be small, you
need not, on that account, be
discouraged, remembering the
gracious promises of the Holy
Head of the church, that when
two or three are gathered in my
name there am I in the midst,
so we see that strength consists
not in numbers, a few, ever so

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few, united, are stronger than many divided; in unity is strength: They that wait on the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount upward with wings as eagles; they shall run and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint." And themselves denying followers of Christ can hold their quarterly, and all of their subordinate meetings respectably in the face of an observing world, even their war day meetings, they can no more neglect than any others; and at times, especially, the dear Master deigns, in tender, unmerited mercy, to preside over, and crown them with his soothing presence, to the refreshing of all the dedicated ones, and how sweetly do these enjoy their retirements, and reading a portion of Holy Scriptures daily in their families, and a subsequent pause for reflection, of such nothing is required too hard for them to perform, he makes bare his Holy Arm for them in every emergency; and that this sitting may be blessed, and that the Quarterly Meeting may in future be sustained to the honor of Truth, is the fervent

15th mo 1864

prayer of my heart, and I need
 the effectual fervent prayers of the
 brethren for my safe landing
 at last — and in love affectionate,
 in my 88th year, I bid
 you farewell, from your poor, very
 infirm tenderly sympathizing
 friend,

Benjamin Fry

10th mo 2^d 1863

Our business, being accomplished
 we conclude intending to meet
 at Dover in first month next

Albert C. Buffum Cl

4th mo 1864

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Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends
held at Dover 4th mo 28th 1864.

By accounts from our several
monthly meetings the representatives to this
meeting are for Dover Tobias Meader Joseph
Tuttle & John Estlin, for Berwick Oliver
Meader Isaac Varney & Nicholas a Pinkham
for Sandwich Russel Hoag & Hyman
Gould; all present except one.

The assistant clerk not being present
Johnathan W. Butter is appointed assis-
tant clerk for the day.

The queries have been read with
answers received from our several monthly
meetings a summary has been prepared
for the ensuing Yearly meeting to be
held at Newport, Jesse Roberts Isaac
Varney Cyrus Bangs & Oliver Meader
are appointed representatives to said
meeting.

The committee appointed at
our last quarterly meeting on William
Hussey's appeal presented the
following report, viz

To Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends
to be held 4th mo 28th 1864.

4th mo 1864

The committee appointed on William Hussey's appeal from the judgment of Berwick monthly meeting, report, that we seasonably fixed on a time and place of meeting for the purpose of hearing the appellant in support of his appeal and of hearing the committee of that monthly meeting in answer thereto of which time and place William Hussey was duly notified by a member of the committee of Berwick monthly meeting requested by us to give said notice, that we the undersigned, two of your committee met at the time & place appointed; the other members of your committee, not arriving till after we had separated) we there met the committee of Berwick Monthly prepared to proceed in the case.

But William Hussey did not appear to prosecute his appeal & we would ask to be discharged from further service in the case. Which we submit to the Quarterly Meeting

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William P. Tuttle
Johnathan W. Mutter

Committee

Report of
Committee

11th mo 1864

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Report
accepted

which after a time of deliberation thereon
is accepted and the appellant not
furnishing any reasonable ~~explanation~~
of his neglect, the committee is released
& the subject ~~dismissed~~ from our minutes

Cyrus Bangs & Stephen Jenkins are appointed
to inform him of the decision
of this meeting

Report of
Committee

The committee appointed in the first
month to confer on ^{the} Subject of the place
of holding our quarterly meetings, report, saying
that they have taken care in the case, and
are now released from further service

Committee
appointed

We appoint Cyrus Bangs, Moses Roberts,
John Esto, Daniel Meader, George Esto,
Oliver Meader, Moses Roberts & Jacob H.
Purinton a committee to solicit
subscriptions to aid Sandwich Monthly
meeting to build a meeting House.

Treasurer
appointed

The time having expired for which the
treasurer was appointed, Cyrus Bangs
is appointed treasurer for one year

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Our treasurer is directed to forward our proportion of Yearly Meeting Stock to the treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

Our business being accomplished we conclude intending to meet at North Brunswick in the 8th mo next.

Albert C Buffum Clerk

General Answer 1864

Ans 1st All of our meetings for worship and discipline have been attended except one small meeting which has been omitted three times on account of sickness; the on first days are attended by most friends those in the middle of the week are neglected by some — Careful as to the hour mostly preserved from sleeping, clear of other unbecoming behaviour. —

Ans 2^d We believe there is a good degree of love and unity maintained by our friends — Detraction mostly guarded against. Careful as to differences.

Ans 3^d We believe most friends are in a good measure careful in the several particulars of this query.

- Ans 4 Careful except one or two instances
of frequenting places of public resort.
- Ans 5 Careful in the several particulars of
this query, — — —
- Ans 6 Careful except two instances of marrying
out of the order of friends & one instance of keeping
company in order for marriage.
- Ans 7th Clear as to the payment of Brist wages.
Three instances of paying commutation
money to clear them from military service.
one instance of a friend's hiring a substitute
for his son and some care taken and
two instances of enlisting in the army, one
of which is under notice.
- Ans 8 Generally careful.
- Ans 9th Careful as far as appears except a few instances
of removal without a certificate some care taken,
- Ans 10 Some care has been taken to deal with offenders
we trust in good measure agreeably to the
Query. judgment has been placed where it
has appeared necessary.

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Dover Quarterly Meeting of Friends
held 8th month the 26th 1864 at North Berwick

By accounts from our several
monthly meetings the representatives
to this meeting are for Dover Daniel
Meader Jacob R. Burington & Joseph
Luttrell, for Berwick George Estes Isaac Varny
& Joseph Varny for Sandwich Knittel Hoag
& Ephraim Meader, who being called are
all present except Ephraim Meader.

Our beloved friends Aaron L. Benedict
of Allum Creek monthly meeting often
endorsed by Allum Creek Quarterly Meeting
Ohio. Cornelius Douglas of Dover monthly
meeting endorsed by Centre Quarterly Meeting
of Friends Ohio. Samuel Gifford of Sandwich
monthly meeting of friends Massachusetts
Timothy C. Collings of South Kingston
monthly meetings of friends

Gilbert Congdon of Providence monthly
of Friends R. I. Elizabeth L. Comstock
of Rollin monthly meeting Michigan endorsed
by Adrian Quarterly Meeting of Friends
& Mary Peckham of New Hartford monthly
meeting endorsed by Butternut Quarterly Meeting
of Friends, have attended this meeting with satis-
factory certificates from their several monthly
meeting expressive of unity with them as
ministers and with present religious en-
gagements, whose company and religious

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services have been acceptable to us. The Clerk is directed to furnish our friends in attendance with us, with copies of the above minutes & sign them on behalf of this meeting.

Our beloved friend Daniel Peckham with a copy of a minute from New Bedford Monthly meeting of Friends Companion to his wife Mary Peckham, Phebe H. Benedict with a minute from ^{Amherst} Albany Monthly meeting of Friends Companion to her Husband Arnold L. Benedict, & Phebe N. Douglas with a minute from Dover Monthly meeting of Friends Companion to her husband Cornelius Douglas, have also attended this meeting. Their company has been acceptable to us.

The queries have been read with the answers received from our several monthly meetings and the deficiencies in the answers from our monthly meetings elicited some weighty remarks from our friends in attendance with us, encouraging us to more faithfulness in the performance of our religious ~~duties~~ duties.

The friends appointed to attend our last yearly meeting, inform that they all attended.

The committee appointed to visit ~~the~~ ~~the~~

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meetings families & individuals presented the following report which is acceptable and the same committee is reappointed for the same service the ensuing year.

By minute from the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting
 Stock \$150.
 Dearlly we are informed that Dover Quarterly meetings quote is one hundred and fifty ~~dollars~~ \$150. five percent, which is directed to be apportioned as usual

130 copies
 London Epistle
 150 printed
 minutes
 We have received one hundred ^{fifty} copies of the London printed epistle, one hundred and fifty copies of the printed minutes of our last yearly meeting which have been distributed amongst our members

12 boarding
 school
 report
 Also twelve copies of the report of the boarding school committee to be distributed to our several monthly meetings

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Dover monthly meeting inform that they have discontinued Bestnut Hills meeting with which this meeting unites,

The following minute from the Yearly meeting was received and read at this time viz

To Dover Quarterly meeting -

The Committee appointed yesterday to examine a communication addressed to this meeting by an individual, report in favor of its being read - This paper comes from William Flipse who states that he has not had a hearing by Dover Quarterly meeting on his appeal from the judgment of Berwick monthly meeting, disowning him ^{as a} ~~from~~ member ~~of~~ of our religious religious society - and it appearing that there has been some irregularity in the proceedings in the case, this meeting directs that his appeal be heard by Dover Quarterly meeting according to discipline and the clerk is directed to furnish that meeting with a copy of this minute,

From the minute of the meeting

Samuel B. Folsy clerk

8th mo 1864

According to the direction therein given
 the subject of William Hussey's appeal
 from the judgment of Berwick Monthly
 meeting disowning him from mem-
 bership with friends is reconsidered
 - and this meeting directs that Ber-
 wick Monthly meeting be furnished
 with a copy of the yearly meeting's
 minute and instructed to appoint
 a committee to proceed in the case
 as our discipline directs, and that
 Berwick Monthly meeting inform
 William Hussey that he may appear
~~at Sandwich~~ ^{meeting held} our Quarterly at Sandwich
 in the tenth month next to prosecute
 his appeal, the clerk is directed to furnish
 Berwick Monthly Meeting with a copy of the above ^{minutes}

Dover Monthly Meeting informed
 this meeting that they have discon-
 tinued the meeting at Chestnut
 Hills, with which this meeting unites

Our business being accomplished we
 conclude intending to meet at Sandwich
 in 10th month next.

Albert C. Buffum Clerk

Chestnut Hill
 meeting
 11/20/64

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Dover quarterly meeting of Friends held
at Sandwich 10th mo 29th 1864

By accounts from our monthly meeting
the representatives to this meeting are
for Dover Daniel Meader & I for
D. Hanson Meader for Berwick Oliver
Meader Isaac Varney & George Costis
for Sandwich Stephen Burt Russell
Hoy & Joshua Tolson, who being
called are all present.

The assistant clerk being absent
Russell Hoy is appointed assistant
clerk for the day

Our beloved friend Jonathan Devol
attended this meeting with a certificate from
Moreau Monthly meeting of friends held
4th 25th 1864 Endorsed by Saratoga Quarterly
meeting of Friends held at Queensburg
N.Y. 11th 3rd mo 1864 His company and
gospel labors have been acceptable to
us.

Our clerk is directed to furnish

Our beloved friend Mary ^{an elder} from
Devol attended this meeting as com-
panion to her husband Jonathan
Devol with a certificate from
Moreau monthly meeting held
6th mo 20th 1864

Jonathan Devol
present

Mary & Devol
present

10th mo 1864

Her company has been acceptable
to us

The queries have been read with
answers received from our several
monthly meetings

Agreeable to the direction from
our last Yearly meeting that William
Hussey should have a rehearing in
the case of his appeal from the
judgment of Berwick Monthly
meeting in disowning him ^{therefrom}
we appoint Stephen Beede Joseph
W. Butler & William P. Tuttle as
committees to meet him with
a committee from Berwick Monthly
meeting to examine the case
and report at next meeting

Berwick Monthly Meeting informs
that they are united in appointing
Isaac Parney as correspondent to that
meeting with which this meeting
unites

Our business being accomplished
we conclude to meet again at Rochester
in the first mo next

Albert C. Buffum Clerk

Jan. 26 1868

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Quarterly meeting of Friends held at
Rochester 1st mo 16th 1868

By accounts from our several monthly
meetings the representatives to this meeting
are for Dover Cyrus Bangs Daniel Meader
and Joseph Hansen, for Benwick Joseph
Brackett George Esch & Oliver Meader for
Sandwich Stephen Bude & Russell Hogg
present except Russell Hogg.

The time having expired for which
the clerks were appointed Stephen Bude
on behalf of the representatives proposed
Albert C Buffum for clerk and ^{Oliver} ~~Clay~~
J Meader for assistant clerk which was
united with and they are appointed
to that service for one year.

Our beloved friends James Vanblaren
with a certificate from China ^{meeting} monthly
and Moses Huntington with a certificate
from Seabrook monthly meeting and
Sarah M. Hiett with a certificate from
Newbury monthly meeting of Friend
endorsed by Fairfield Quarterly Meeting
held at Highland County Ohio expressing
unity with them in their present

well appointed

James Vanblaren
Moses Huntington
Sarah M. Hiett

religious engagements, attended this meeting, their company and gospel labors have been acceptable to us.

Our beloved friend Chaity G Dillingham attended this meeting Companion to Sarah M. "biatt" with a minute from Sandwich Monthly meeting held at Dolmanth Massachusetts, Her company has been acceptable to us.

Also our beloved friend Henry H. Pinkham attended this meeting Companion to Sarah M. (biatt) with a minute from Vassboro Monthly meeting of Friends, His company has been acceptable to us.

The clerk is directed to furnish our friends in attendance ^{with} copies of the above minutes and sign them on behalf of this meeting.

The Queries have been read, with the required answers, received from our several monthly meetings.

The committee in the case of an appeal by William Hussey, have made the following report viz

Chaity G Dillingham present

Henry H. Pinkham present

To Dover Quarterly meeting of Friends

The undersigned committee on the advice
on the appeal of William Hussey from
the decision of Brunswick Monthly Meeting
in his case: Report, that having appointed
time and place of hearing, met the
appellant with the committee of said
monthly meeting appointed to represent
them in the case; and after a careful
hearing of the appellant and said two
meetings committee with such testimony
relating to the case as said parties offered
are of opinion under the circumstances
that the judgment of Brunswick Monthly
meeting should be confirmed—
which we submit

Atms 25th 1865

Stephen Beede
Jonathan W. Butler
William D. Tuttle

Which is accepted and this meeting is
united in confirming the judgment of
Brunswick Monthly meeting in his case.

Lyman ^{Burgess} appointed to inform him of the
conclusion of this meeting in his case,

And the clerk is requested to inform said
monthly meeting by an extract from
this minute.

report of case on the

our business being accomplished we conclude
intending to meet at Dover in 4th month
next

Albert C Buffum Clerk



YEARLY MEETING, SIXTH MONTH, 1865.

"TO THE YEARLY MEETING:

Dear Friends: The Committee appointed to Superintend the Boarding School during the past year, report: that, in the Summer Term of the School, there were in attendance, one hundred and twenty-three pupils, viz: sixty-nine males and fifty-four females, and in the Winter term, one hundred and thirty, viz.: eighty-one males and forty-nine females.

The officers of the Institution have been,—Albert K. Smiley, Principal; Alfred H. Smiley, Associate Principal; Rebecca H. Smiley, Principal of the Female Department; John F. Rowell, Bessie T. Wing, Mary A. Cornell, and Amey E. Johnson, Teachers in the English Branches; Elijah Cook, Teacher of Mathematics; William B. Phillips, Teacher of Ancient and Modern Languages; and Mary A. Potter, Teacher of Drawing. Under this organization a satisfactory progress has been made in the varied departments of literary and scientific knowledge.

Meetings for worship have been regularly held at the School House on First day mornings, and have been seasons of solemnity and interest; and the scholars continue to attend Friends Meeting in the city on First day afternoons and in the middle of the week. A knowledge of the Holy Scriptures has been promoted by daily readings, and exercises on the First day of the week, and the considerate and orderly deportment of the scholars generally, and the evidences afforded by not a few, of a growth in the highest knowledge, has afforded us much satisfaction.

The health of the inmates of the Institution has been remarkably good during the past year, which, under a blessing, we think may in part be attributed to the careful daily attention to gymnastic exercises.

By the report of the committee to examine and settle the accounts of the Institution, it appears that the whole income for the past year exceeds the amount expended, Thirty-one hundred and twenty-five dollars, (\$3,125).

By a circular minute from our Meeting for Sufferings held at Lynn, in the 8th month last, all of our Monthly Meetings were informed of the decision of that Meeting to advance the price for tuition; and the rates then established took effect on the beginning of the Winter term as follows:—For members of this Yearly Meeting, \$100 per term; For members of other Yearly Meetings, and where one or both parents are members of our religious Society, or scholars are sent at the charge of such, \$130 per term; and for any others who may be admitted, \$160 per term. The same additional charges of five dollars for Latin and Greek, French, German and Drawing, as heretofore. It was with reluctance that the apparent necessary increase in the price was resorted to, and we desire that it may be reduced at the earliest possible time; but as we are not now prepared to make any definite suggestions, we would propose to the Yearly Meeting, to commit the subject to the Committee that may be entrusted with the charge of the Boarding School for the ensuing year, to make such timely changes as may appear best, upon mature consideration, and after further developments of the cost of provisions, &c.

In conclusion we gratefully believe that our Boarding School is increasing its means and opportunities of usefulness. We are, however, solemnly reminded, that all our blessings are dependent upon the Father of Mercies. May not, therefore, all who are interested, unite in the desire that His favor and protection may be continued from generation to generation, through Him who is head over all things to the Church?

Signed on behalf and by direction of the Committee,

GILBERT CONGDON, *Clerk.*

Boarding School, 5th Month, 9th, 1865.

NOTE.—Summer term for 1865 closes 9th Mo. 27th.

Winter term for 1865, opens, 11th Mo. 1st, 1865,

Closes, 3d Mo. 21st, 1866.

Summer term for 1866, opens, 5th Mo. 2d.

REGULATIONS OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

As the number that can be admitted into the School is limited, it is necessary that the committee should be seasonably informed of all in this Yearly Meeting that desire to occupy places in the School, in order that they may determine how many others, if any, may be received. Application should therefore be made for members of our Yearly Meeting, in season to be laid before the committee at their meetings held in the *third* and *ninth* months. At these meetings, applications for members of our Yearly Meeting will have precedence of all others, after which they will be considered in the order in which they are received.

Applications for the benefit of the "charitable fund," or of "the Jacob Metcalf donation," will also be determined at the times above specified, and in all these cases, information is desired of the age, moral habits and literary acquirements of the applicants, to aid the committee in deciding upon them.

It is expected, and earnestly desired, that *all* the scholars shall be at the School punctually, at the commencement of the term, for the prompt organization of classes; but if circumstances occur to prevent such attendance, notice is to be forwarded to the Principals within one week of that time, stating whether or not their places are desired to be reserved for them. A failure to attend the School, or to give the notice above specified, will be considered a relinquishment of the privilege, unless again admitted by the committee; and in all cases of pupils being admitted for the term and attending the School, it is expected that payment will be made for the term.

Friends of pupils, and all others, visiting the School, will be expected to defray the expense arising therefrom to the Institution.

All applications for admission are to be made to the Principals.

Address,

ALBERT K. SMILEY,

Principal Friends Boarding School,
Providence, R. I.

From the Minutes of the Meeting,

SAMUEL BOYD TOBEY, Clerk.

Apportionment of Yearly Meeting Stock
1st mo 1846

Dover 58 percent

Berwick 18 percent

Sandwich 24 percent

New apportionment 4th mo 1855

Dover 60 percent

Berwick 22 Do

Sandwich 18 Do

